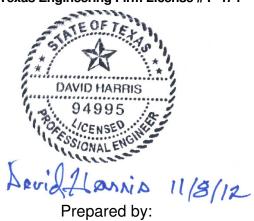
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# **Acronyms and Abbreviations**

BMP Best Management Practice

cfs cubic feet per second

CIP capital improvement project

City City of Killeen

CN curve numbers

DMP drainage master plan

EPA Environmental Protection Agency

FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency

FIRM Flood Insurance Rate Map

FIS Flood Insurance Study

ft feet/foot

GIS geographic information system

H/H hydrologic/hydraulic

HEC U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Hydrologic Engineering Center

HEC-HMS Hydrologic Engineering Center's Hydrologic Modeling System

LID low impact development

LOS level of service

MS4 Municipal Separate Storm Drain System

NRCS Natural Resources Conservation Service

PER preliminary engineering report

RCB reinforced concrete box

RCP reinforced concrete pipe

SWMP Storm Water Management Plan

Tc time of concentration

TCEQ Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

TP-40 Technical Paper 40 (NRCS)

USGS U.S. Geological Survey

WQ/FC water quality/flood control

## **Executive Summary**

This report is an update to the 2005 Drainage Master Plan (DMP) report. The focus of the work performed for this 2012 DMP was to prioritize drainage capital improvement projects (CIP) so that available capital improvement dollars may be directed toward the highest priority CIPs. In order to maintain continuity between the 2005 and the 2012 DMPs, this 2012 DMP report includes all of the same sections that were presented in the 2005 DMP. However, not all the sections were rewritten in this 2012 DMP report. The following sections from the 2005 DMP are not revised by this report: 3) General Provisions, 4) Drainage System Evaluation, 5) Regulatory Influences, 7) Storm Water Management Plan, 8) Non-Point Source Pollution Assessment, 10) Drainage Maintenance Plan, 11) Administrative Solutions, and 12) Financial Analysis. Therefore these sections are repeated verbatim in Appendix A of this report. The body of this report is focused on drainage CIP prioritization.

Capital improvement projects are broken into two financial categories: major and minor. Major CIP projects are estimated to cost more than \$200,000 and minor CIP projects are estimated to cost less than \$200,000. This report generally only considers the major CIP projects in detail. The minor CIP projects are addressed by City staff on an ongoing basis; however, minor CIPs are ranked and prioritized using the same ranking criteria used for major CIPs (as discussed in Section 4.1). The major CIP projects were organized into 3 categories: 1) regional detention, 2) storm drain and ditch neighborhood drainage, and 3) stream repair and floodplain improvements. A fourth category of CIPs concerning transportation drainage (bridges and culverts) are presented but are not ranked or evaluated. There are 29 CIP projects that have been identified and ranked in this 2012 DMP, including 8 possible regional detention CIPs, 8 storm drain/ditch neighborhood CIPs, and 13 stream repair and floodplain improvements CIPs. See Figure E-1 for an overview of the location of these CIPs, also see the overview map in Appendix C for more detailed information. Each CIP was given a unique identification number such as 2005-18 or 2012-08. The CIP identification numbers always start with 2005-, 2008- or 2012- indicating the year of the master plan that the CIP was conceived in, and ending in an arbitrary two digit number.

The projects are discussed and ranked in detail in Section 4. The identified CIP projects were first ranked against similar CIPs within one of the three categories. In other words, regional detention CIPs were not ranked alongside storm drain and ditch CIPs; regional detention CIPs were only ranked against other regional detention CIPs, and storm drain and ditch neighborhood drainage CIPs were only ranked against other similar CIPs. This is because the objectives and cost differences are so dissimilar among the 3 categories that it is more useful to rank the CIPs amongst similar projects. However, in section 7, CIP Recommendations and Conclusions, the CIP projects are prioritized for the top 15 overall (all categories) priority drainage projects across the City of Killeen.

There were a total of 29 possible CIPs locations considered for this study. Of these, 15 have been identified as having the highest priority. See the below Table E-1 for a summary of the top 15 recommended drainage projects identified for further study.

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Table E-1 Summary of CIPs Recommended for Capital Improvement Bond Funding

Overall Priority	Project Reference Number	Capital Improvement Project (CIP)	Type of Project	Description of Project	Estimated Cost (\$)*
1	N/A	Regional Watershed Modeling and Floodplain Mapping	Study	In light of the more recent information and rapid development a revised floodplain study is recommended. This study would allow for an organized and concise set of hydrologic/hydraulic models that could be used in watershed management and would serve as a starting point to build upon for the regional detention analysis.	250,000
2	N/A	Regional Detention Pond Analysis	Study	As the City continues to develop rapidly, it is recommended that a comprehensive watershed wide detention analysis be performed in order to assess the best locations for future regional detention ponds and to ensure that watershed timing is properly accounted for considering all detention ponds.	250,000
3	2005-27	Greenforest Circle Storm Drain and Inlets	N	Streets and neighborhoods experience flooding due to the lack of a conveyance system. Recommend adding storm drain and curb inlets. Drainage on Greenforest Circle and South Roy Reynolds will both see improvements.	208,000
4	2012-21	Trimmier/10th Street at Hallmark Storm Drain and Inlets	N	Water flows down Trimmier Road to the intersection of E. Hallmark Avenue where it splits to the west down Hallmark Avenue, and north down South 10th Street causing road inundation and a traffic hazard. Additional storm drain inlets and pipe along Trimmier/10th Street that would tie into an existing system that outfalls at South Nolan Creek is recommended. There is also a high ground water table in this area that may exacerbate drainage issues. This project may also be combined with proposed road improvements.	227,000
5	2012-11	Stewart Ditch Channel Repair and Improvements	S	This concrete channel has some of the most severe and numerous structural failures in the City. There are approximately 88 structures in the 100-year floodplain, and channel improvements should be considered as per the Walker Partners Study.	862,000
6	2012-02	Woodrow - Phase 2 Storm Drain Construction	N	Phase 1 storm drain improvements have been completed. Add additional (Phase II) curb inlets and storm drain along Woodward Drive.	364,000
7	2005-20a	Valley Road Ditch Phase 2 Floodplain Mitigation	S	The first priority is to repair the concrete channel and prevent the progression of existing failures. As funding is available, channel and culvert improvements should be considered as per the Walker Partners study. Improvements to the railroad culverts have recently been funded to add two 72-inch RCP.	373,000
8	2005-20b	Valley Road Ditch Phase 3 Floodplain Mitigation	S	Avenue A to Avenue B improvements including demolish existing concrete channel lining, headwall and improve culvert at Avenue A should be considered as per the Walker Partners Study.	928,000
9	2012-20a & 2012-20b	Edgefield/Rainforest Stream Restoration	S	These two reaches are highly eroded and have little aesthetic value. Two existing concrete gradecontrol structures have been washed out and should be replaced with rock riprap (or concrete). Other grading and landscaping alternatives should be considered to enhance vegetation and aesthetics.	400,000

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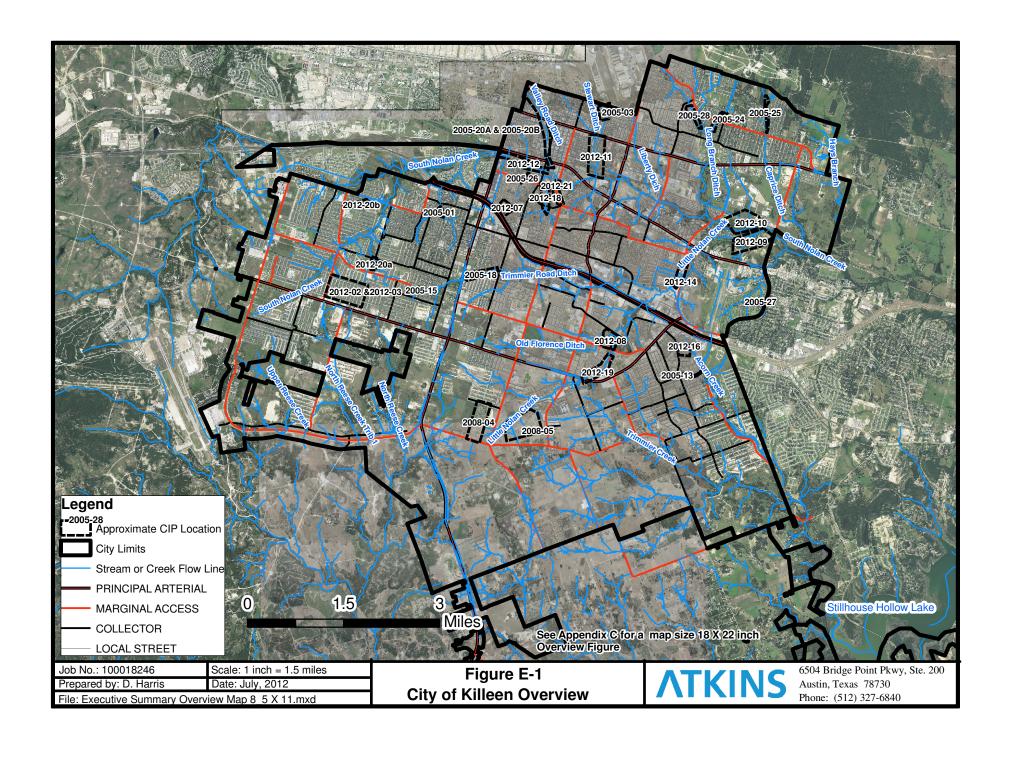
Overall Priority	Project Reference Number	Capital Improvement Project (CIP)	Type of Project	Description of Project	Estimated Cost (\$)*
10	2008-05	Briarcroft Lane Culvert and Ditch/Channel Improvements	N	Increase Briarcroft culvert outlet to 50-year level of service (LOS) and improve surrounding ditches; improve Tanglewood Estates Outlet Channel to 50-year LOS should be considered as per the 2005 DMP.	181,000
11	2012-16	Misty Lane Phase 2 Storm Drain Improvement	N	Storm drain improvements to improve residential street drainage should be considered as per the Wallace Group Study.	275,000
12	2012-03	Woodrow Phase 3 Storm Drain Construction	N	Phase 1 Storm Drain improvements have been completed. Add additional (Phase 3) curb Inlets and storm drain along Jake Spoon Drive should be considered as per the Walker Partners Study.	143,000
13	2005-24	Dickens Ditch Stream Repair	S	This reach is experiencing some erosion and has the potential to damage private property and erode outside of the drainage easement. Erosion is just now and will continue to progress outside of the drainage easement. Therefore, actions to stabilize the stream reach downstream of Westcliff Road should be considered.	351,000
14	2012-07	Skyline Ave Storm Drain and Inlets	N	Runoff from the apartment complex at the top of the drainage area should be better directed into existing storm drain inlet, or otherwise directed away from the three homes that reported flooding in the September 2010 event. Storm water runoff is also known to cause street and yard flooding. Therefore, storm drains and curb inlets should be considered on Swope Drive and Skyline Avenue.	650,000
15	2005-28	Long Branch Environmental Enhancements	S	This area was identified in the 2005 DMP for possible detention. Although there are some downstream flooding issues, this area is perceived to be better suited for environmental enhancements such as riffle pool and water quality environmental enhancements. Detention is not recommended here, but environmental and aesthetic improvements should be considered.	500,000

Approximate Total Cost (\$) 6,000,000

N = Storm Drain & Ditch Neighborhood Drainage

S = Stream Repair and Floodplain Improvement

\* Costs are approximate and are based on schematic assumptions; more detailed preliminary engineering analysis is required to define cost with greater certainty.



See below discussion for more details on the priority projects identified for the 3 types of CIPs. In addition, see Sections 4.3, 4.4 and 4.5 for more details and see Appendices B.1, B.2, and B.3 for detailed schematic synopsis developed for each of the regional detention, storm drain and ditch neighborhood drainage, and stream channel repair and floodplain improvements CIPs respectively.

### **Regional Detention**

Regional detention ponds can lower the existing conditions peak flows to reduce downstream flooding and/or mitigate for increased flows due to development in order to maintain existing conditions peak flows. Regional detention in this report refers to detention areas that affect multiple properties within a watershed. The analysis for regional detention is the most complex of the three types of CIPs. This is because it is necessary to model several CIP detention ponds within the watershed in order to develop a comprehensive strategy that takes into consideration the interconnected nature of regional ponds. Although the scope of study does not include comprehensive regional hydrologic modeling and analysis, details regarding the feasibility of the regional detention CIPs are provided in Section 4.3 of this report.

The cost for regional detention can vary greatly depending on the detention strategy used to construct the facility. There are two approaches for creating floodwater storage in a detention pond: 1) create volume through excavation, or 2) create storage volume by increasing the backwater elevation through an impoundment. By far the most economical way to create floodplain storage is by increasing the backwater elevation. However, for the detention CIP sites, it is not clear that impacts created by increasing the backwater elevation are acceptable. Therefore, for cost estimating purposes, it is assumed that earthen excavation would be required to create adequate storage volume. As a result, the costs associated with the regional detention ponds are considerable. In certain instances it may be more cost effective to mitigate for impacts due to an increase in backwater elevation than it would be to excavate earth to add detention volume. Given these complexities, it is recommended that an additional regional detention study be conducted to develop a comprehensive watershed management strategy. This could be accomplished by using hydrologic modeling to establish existing, proposed, and ultimate flow conditions using various pond modeling scenarios. These hydrologic models would have the added benefit that they could be used to help manage increased runoff as the watersheds development. As part at this regional detention study, it is further recommended that a floodplain study be conducted across the entire City. This floodplain study would be useful in developing the baseline hydrologic and hydraulic (H/H) models required for the regional detention study. Additionally, this floodplain study would yield an organized concise set of H/H models that could also be used by both public and private stakeholders.

### Storm Drain and Ditch Neighborhood

Storm drain, ditch, and outfall improvements tend to have a direct benefit on the citizens who live in the neighborhood. Additionally, improvements can enhance transportation access benefiting citizens broadly across the City. Eight storm drain, ditch, and/or neighborhood improvement areas were identified for capital improvement. These types of drainage problems are the source of street flooding and/or shallow

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residential flooding. The seven highest priority projects (from Table E-1) for storm drain and ditch neighborhood drainage include: Greenforest Circle (2005-27), Trimmier/10th Street (2012-21), Woodrow Phase 2 (2012-02), Briarcroft Lane (2008-05), Misty Lane Phase 1 (2012-16), Woodrow Phase 3 (2012-03) and Skyline Avenue (2012-07). Preliminary engineering study and design will be required to specify costs and to evaluate alternative design strategies on a project by project basis. These types of projects tend to have a high ranking, and it is recommended that nearly all of the storm drain and ditch neighborhood CIP projects identified in this study be considered for more detailed study, design, and construction.

### **Stream Repair and Floodplain Improvements**

Thirteen areas have been identified for schematic evaluation for stream repair and floodplain improvements. Generally, there are three types of CIPs that have been identified related to streams and channels: 1) concrete channel repair, 2) earthen channel repair/stream restoration, 3) floodplain improvement.

The highest priority stream repair and floodplain improvement projects (from Table E-1) are concrete channels in need of repair and improvements, in particular at Stewart Ditch (2012-11) and Valley Road Ditch (2005-20). These CIPs have numerous concrete sections that have been completely washed out, and more severe and extensive damage will occur in future storm events if repairs are not made. Moreover, Valley Road and Stewart Ditch have known floodplain issues with the potential for damage to residential and commercial property. Therefore, channel improvements should be considered as funding allows.

In addition to the concrete channel repair needs, there are a number of earthen channels that are unstable and experiencing a high rate of erosion. The earthen channels within the City considered to have some of the highest priority stream restoration needs are Edgefield/Rainforest (2012-20), Dickens Ditch (2005-24), and Long Branch (2005-28).

### Roadway Cross Drainage Bridge and Culvert Stream Crossings

Of the 35 road closures during the September 2010 storm event, 19 crossings have been identified as high-priority stream crossings that should be considered for future improvements (see Section 4, Table 4-6). However, this report does not prioritize these 19 road closures, but only seeks to document these locations for future considerations in conjunction with transportation projects.

### **Summary of Proposed Drainage Capital Improvement Projects**

A total of 29 drainage project were identified in this report. These drainage projects fall under one of three types of project including: 1) Floodplain and Regional Detention Study, 2) Storm Drain and Ditch Neighborhood Drainage or 3) Stream Repair and Floodplain Improvements. See Table E-1 above for a summary of the 15 highest priority projects that have been identified for drainage bond funding. See

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Table E-2 below for a summary of the total cost estimated for the three types of drainage projects from the 15 highest priority drainage projects identified above in Table E-1.

Table E-2 Summary of Cost versus the Type of Project

Project Type	Total Cost (\$)
Floodplain and Regional Detention Study	500,000
Storm Drain and Ditch Neighborhood Drainage	2,088,000
Stream Repair and Floodplain Improvements	3,412,000

**Total** 6,000,000

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The City of Killeen (City) is one of the nation's fastest-growing cities and is expected to experience continued future growth above the national average. As a result, the City is faced with the challenges of managing future storm water runoff as well as improving known existing drainage needs. The City has a limited budget available to address existing drainage problems, maintain existing infrastructure, and plan for future drainage conditions. Therefore, the City contracted with Atkins North America, Inc. (Atkins), formerly PBS&J, to prepare a drainage master plan (DMP) to identify locations for potential capital improvement projects (CIPs), so that available funding may be directed to the highest priority drainage needs.

This DMP provides a list of CIPs ranked according to priority. The priority ranking is based upon both engineering analysis and engineering judgment. A schematic analysis was performed for each of the potential CIP projects identified for consideration using best available information and educated assumptions to develop approximate design solutions and estimates of cost from which the proposed CIP projects could be prioritized.

The City has a variety of drainage issues associated with street flooding and neighborhood flooding due to inadequate or nonexistent drainage infrastructure. Additionally, the City has a number of locations where drainage infrastructure has failed, in particular within concrete-lined channels or where earthen channels have experienced severe erosion The CIP projects identified for ranking were classified into one of three categories: 1) regional detention, 2) storm drain and ditch neighborhood drainage, and 3) stream repair and floodplain improvements. There are also numerous drainage issues associated with parallel and cross street drainage, but these are not ranked or evaluated at this time. A summary description and ranking of each CIP within an individual CIP category is discussed in Section 4, Major Capital Improvement Projects.

Capital improvement locations were identified with the help of City staff using historic data documenting infrastructure failures, property flooding, and road closures from past storm events. Of particular importance was the September 7, 2010 storm event from which City staff documented spatial locations for home and street flooding. Additionally, City staff provided spatial information for various drainage infrastructure failure points across Killeen.

This DMP supersedes the previous DMP adopted by the City in 2005 (Jacobs Engineering, 2005). This document is intended to cover the same issues that were addressed in the 2005 DMP. However, the focus of this document is on drainage CIP prioritization. Therefore, in order to maintain continuity, the sections of the 2005 DMP not superseded by this study are included in an appendix to this report. See Appendix A.1 through A.8 for the sections of the 2005 DMP brought forward into this document. Otherwise, this DMP should be considered a living document that can be updated as projects are completed or new information arises.

### 2.0 DATA COLLECTION

The majority of the data used in this DMP was obtained either from the City or were observed in the field by Atkins staff. Atkins worked closely with City staff to obtain the information necessary to complete this study. This section briefly documents the data that were obtained in the course of this study, and the data on which the schematic analyses were based.

### 2.1 CITY OF KILLEEN DATA

The preliminary engineering reports (PERs) that have been completed for previously identified CIPs were obtained from the City for review. Included were those projects that had not yet been funded; these are considered for priority ranking in this report. Additionally, the City provided digital information for 2-foot (ft) contour lines, aerial photography, property parcels, drainage easements, road locations, structure footprints, public infrastructure failures locations, and the September 2010 flood event response points. The City also provided Atkins with the Hydrologic Engineering Center's Hydrologic Modeling System (HEC-HMS) model for the South Nolan Creek watershed, considered as "effective" conditions by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

### 2.1.1 Previous Drainage Master Plans

A DMP was adopted by the City in 2005 (Jacobs Engineering, 2005). This report identified 28 CIPs. Of the original 28 CIPs, 11 were brought forward for priority ranking in this DMP. A summary of the status of all 28 CIPs identified from the 2005 DMP is given in Table 2-1.

# 2.1.2 Preliminary Engineering Reports

PERs were incorporated into the CIP rankings to the extent practical. The PERs listed below were considered in the course of ranking some of the CIPs that were brought forward from the 2005 DMP.

- Acorn Creek Drainage Study, May 2010 (2005-14)
- 2008 CIP #5 PER (Woodrow Drive Drainage Improvements), November, 2008
- Bermuda/Ronstan Ditch CIP, October 2010
- South Nolan Creek at Stallion Drive CIP, October 2010
- Valley Ditch Drainage Study, May 2010

Table 2-1 Summary Status of 2005 DMP Identified CIPs

Project Reference Number	Score*	Capital Improvement Project (CIP)	Status	Funded (Yes/No)	Consider for 2012 DMP	Summary of Status
01	21	Bermuda/Ronstan Ditch	Engr. Design- Freese & Nichols	Partial	Yes	The City did not have enough funds to do everything recommended by the PER.
02	20	South Nolan Creek at Odom Drive	Engr. Design-Jacobs	Partial	No	Projects presented in four phases including: 1) bridge
08	18	South Nolan Creek at Dimple Street	Engr. Design-Jacobs		No	armoring project, 2) erosion protection using gabions, 3) repetitive loss structures with FEMA, and 4) detention.
10	18	South Nolan Creek at 10th Street	Engr. Design-Jacobs		No	Phase 1 - Bridge armoring is complete
11	18	South Nolan Creek at 2nd Street	Engr. Design-Jacobs		No	Phase 2- will be funded within 2005 Bond Phase 4 - is left unfunded pending detention modeling coordinated with Fort Hood.
03	20	Stewart Ditch	Hold	No	Hold	Not considered to have justifiable benefit cost
04	20	South Nolan Creek at Stallion Drive	Engr. Design- Freese & Nichols	No	Yes	Water Sewer Drainage voted not to proceed with this project due to the low project benefit cost justification.
05	19	WS Young Drive	Done	Yes	Done	Done
06	19	Killeen Civic and Conference Center Drainage	Done	Yes	Done	Done
07	18	Patriotic Ditch at Zephyr Road	Engr. Design- Mitchell & Assoc.	Yes	No	Only engineering designs were developed without a PER. This project is essentially ready to go pending easement acquisition. Extends from Jefferies Drive to FM 2410.
09	18	Dogwood Boulevard at Business 190	Hold – TXDOT	No	No	This project is within TxDOT right-of-way. Therefore, no action is planned by the City.
12	18	Still Forest	Engr. Design-Walker Partners Construction-Patin	Yes	Done	Done
13	18	Bending Trail Creek	Engr. Design- The Wallace Group	Partial	Yes	The first phase, improving Acorn Creek channel section and addressing the crossing under Acorn Creek Road
14	16	Acorn Creek Headwaters	Engr. Design- The Wallace Group	Partial	Yes	storm drain improvements discussed in the PER but were not funded in the 2005 Bond.
15	16	Little Nolan Creek Tributary 1 at Caprock Drive (Elms Road)	Engr. Design- Mitchell & Assoc.	Yes	No	This CIP's PER was contracted out and is not completed as of this writing.
16	15	Lagrone Ditch	Done		Done	Done

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Project Reference Number	Score*	Capital Improvement Project (CIP)	Status	Funded (Yes/No)	Consider for 2012 DMP	Summary of Status
17	15	El Dorado Drive	Engr. Design-TWG	Partial	Done	Done
18	15	Little Nolan Creek Tributary 1 at Cantabrian Drive (Phase 2 = \$95,830)	Engr. Design-Chiang Patel and Yerby	Yes	Yes	This project recommends four ponds. The two ponds downstream of SH 195 are unfunded; the 2 upstream of US 190 are funded by (along with) Elms Road improvements.
			End of 2005 Bo	nd Package		
18	15	Little Nolan Creek Tributary 1 at Cantabrian Drive (Phase 1 = \$566,370)	Engr. Design-CPY	Yes	No	This CIP has been studied preliminarily.
19	14	Industrial Ditch	Done - City Crews	Yes	Done	Done
20	14	Valley Ditch	Engr. Design-WWA	Partial	Yes	Preliminary engineering has been performed on this channel reach. Valley Ditch improvements include improvements to railroad, road, and homes susceptible to flooding. Railroad improvements have been funded.
21	13	Little Nolan Creek at WS Young Drive	Generally Complete	No	No	This project for the most part was completed by the developer.
22	12	Little Nolan Creek at FM 2410	Hold	No	Yes	The detention aspect of this project does not appear to be practical in light of the fact that there are already homes built in this area. This area is also considered in more detail in CIP 2012-14.
23	11	Long Branch Tributary	Done - City Crews	Yes	Done	Done
24	11	Dickens Ditch	Hold	No	Yes	This is primarily a maintenance issue
25	11	Caprice Ditch	Hold	No	Yes	No Action Taken to Date. There are some stream restoration issues.
26	11	Wolf Ditch	Hold	No	Yes	No Action Taken to Date
27	10	Greenforest Circle	Hold	No	Yes	No Action Taken to Date
28	8	Long Branch	Hold	No	Yes	No Action Taken to Date

<sup>\*</sup>Based on 2005 Drainage Master Plan scoring system

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### 2.2 FIELD DATA

Site visits were performed February 24, 2011, March 2, 2011, March 8, 2011, March 9, 2011, April 7, 2011, and May 5, 2011, at locations where it was necessary to supplement existing paper and digital information with on-site observations. Photographs were taken at these locations to document information related to site conditions. However, no detailed field measurements were taken.

### 2.3 AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY

The aerial photography used throughout this report is from the Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG) and represents ground conditions during a 2010 flight.

### 2.4 HYDROLOGIC/HYDRAULIC MODELING INFORMATION

The only hydrologic/hydraulic (H/H) models used in this study were taken from the FEMA Flood Insurance Study (FIS). The storm water runoff for South Nolan Creek was modeled using HEC-HMS Version 2.2.2. No other watershed runoff models were found. However, South Nolan Creek covers the majority of the City limits. Floodplain hydraulic models were found for the upper portion of South Nolan Creek, Upstream of US 190, Bermuda/Ronstan Ditch, and Little Nolan Creek Tributary #1 (all of which are in the South Nolan Creek Watershed).

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### 3.0 RUNOFF FLOW ESTIMATION

Storm water runoff flow was only estimated for selected locations where the flow was needed to complete a schematic analysis for a CIP. The FEMA HEC-HMS model for the South Nolan Creek Watershed was used whenever possible. For areas outside South Nolan Creek, or where flow estimates for small areas were needed, the rational method was employed.

A detailed hydrologic study was not performed for this report. This section is only intended to summarize the watersheds that are within the City and briefly reports on the hydrologic modeling information available for these watersheds.

### 3.1 CITY OF KILLEEN WATERSHEDS

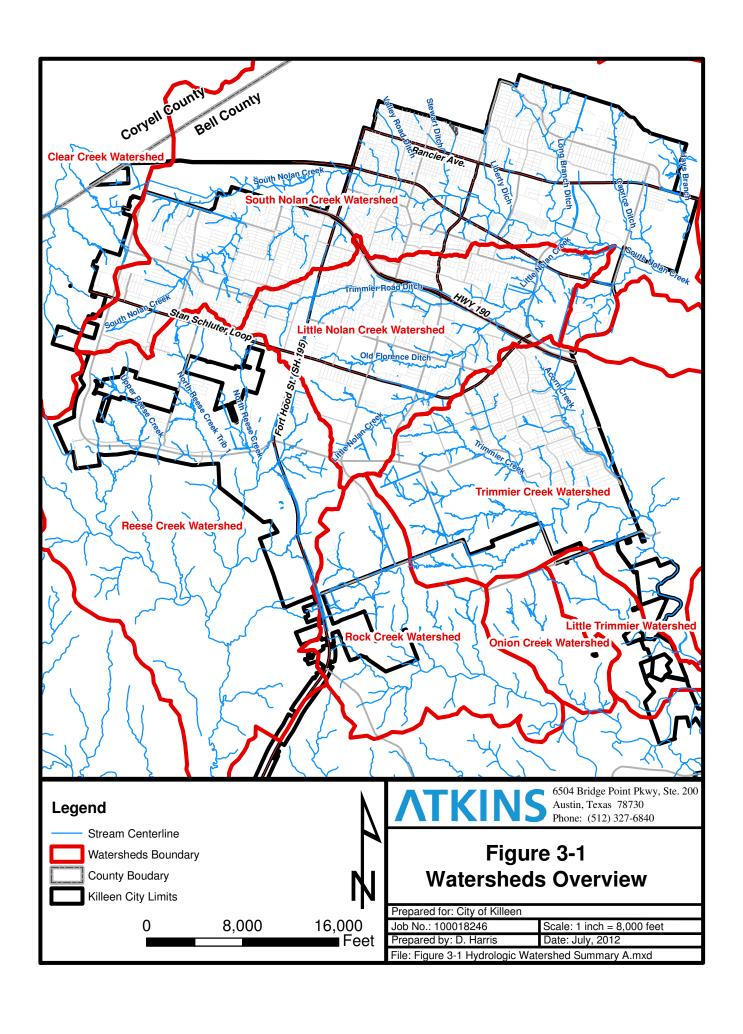
There are eight watersheds within the City as seen on Figure 3-1. Over half the area within the City drains through the South Nolan Creek and Little Nolan Creek Watersheds where it discharges from the east side of the City. The other major watersheds are Reese Creek, Trimmier Creek, Rock Creek, Onion Creek Little Trimmier. Only a small area of the City drains west out of the Clear Creek Watershed.

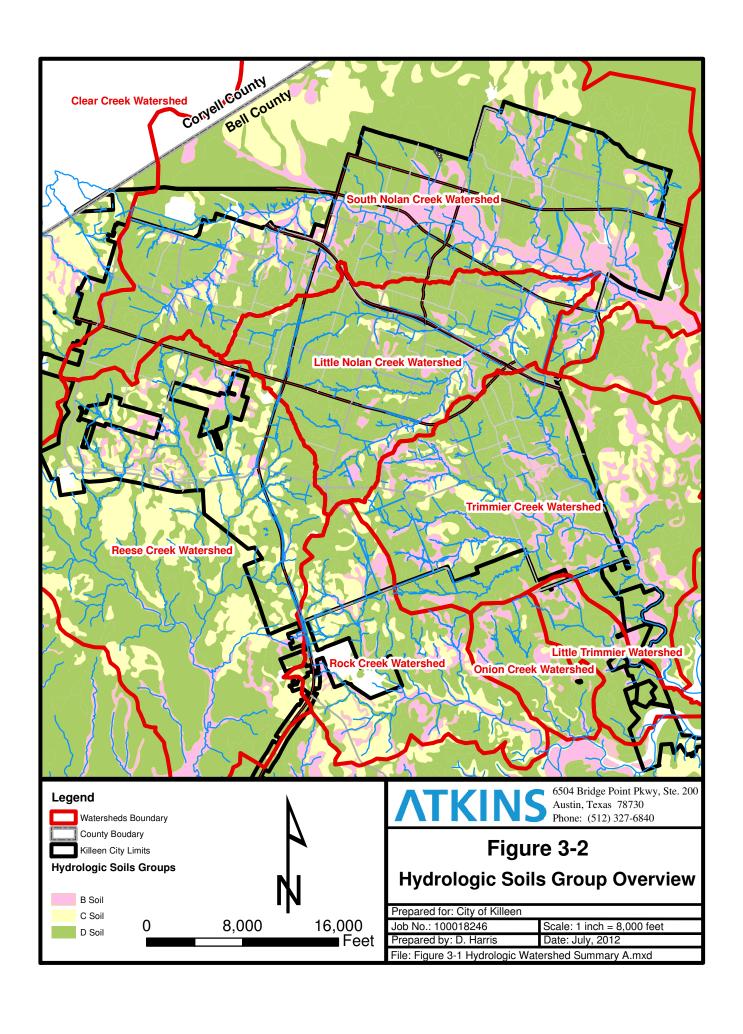
South Nolan Creek is highly developed; the majority of the undeveloped land is in the headwaters of Little Nolan Creek, a tributary of South Nolan Creek. The Reese Creek, Rock Creek, and Trimmier Creek watersheds have a good deal of area that is expected to continue to develop into the future. These watersheds are primarily composed of Hydrologic Soil Group (HSG) D soils, which have a relatively low permeability and a high storm water runoff potential. See Figure 3-2 for an overview of the hydrologic soils group overview across the City. Hydrologic soil groups B, C and D are found within the City; HSG "B" are relatively permeable and tend to absorb rainfall, while HSG "D" are relatively impermeable and tend to have a higher rainfall runoff characteristics.

The South Nolan Creek watershed is the most relevant watershed for this master plan because the majority of the identified CIPs drain to South Nolan Creek. As mentioned above in Section 2.4, Hydrologic/Hydraulic Modeling Information, South Nolan Creek has the only available HEC-HMS model (version 2.2.2). This HEC-HMS model was used extensively in the schematic analysis for various CIPs ranked in this study. In particular, this HMS model was used to assess regional detention feasibility (see Section 4.3, Regional Detention CIP) and determine runoff volumes and existing/ultimate conditions flows. See Section 3.2 below for a summary of the hydrologic modeling parameters.

### 3.2 SOUTH NOLAN CREEK HEC-HMS MODEL

The effective conditions FEMA HEC-HMS model was converted from version 2.2.2 to 3.4. All analyses performed in this report were based on the converted HEC-HMS 3.4 model. The flow is modeled for the 10-, 50- 100-, and 500-year recurrence intervals. No significant difference in flow value was observed due to this conversion from version 2.2.2 to 3.4.





In order to run a hydrologic model, it is necessary to define the three components of the hydrologic cycle that govern storm water runoff: (1) rainfall, (2) ground cover/infiltration loss rates, and (3) the transform timing of rainfall to runoff flow at the point of consideration. These hydrologic modeling components are discussed in more detail below. No changes were made to any of the parameters used in the original HEC-HMS model; however, some modeling nodes were added only to generate more flow output locations.

### 3.2.1 Rainfall

The FEMA effective model uses 24-hour total rainfall values taken from Technical Paper 40 (Natural Resources Conservation Service [NRCS]). These values are shown in Table 3-1 below. Technical Paper 40 (TP-40) is a commonly used source to estimate 24-hour total rainfall values. As a point of comparison, the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) also published rainfall values in 2004 (Scientific Investigations Report 2004-5041). The USGS estimates seen in Table 3-2 are somewhat less than the TP-40 values. As mentioned above, the FEMA effective model was not significantly modified, and therefore the FEMA effective conditions rainfall values were left unchanged, although lower flows and runoff volumes might be predicted based on the USGS rainfall study.

Table 3-1
Rainfall used in FEMA HEC-HMS Model

Return Period	10 year	50 year	100 year	500 year
Rainfall Depth over 24 hours (inch)	6.6	8.8	9.9	12.1

Table 3-2
USGS Rainfall Frequency vs. Rainfall Depth Distribution

Return Period	2 year	10 year	25 year	50 year	100 year
Rainfall Depth over 24 hours (inch)	3.4	5.5	6.6	7.9	8.9

### 3.2.2 Loss Rate

The loss rate determines the volume of rainfall that becomes direct runoff, versus the amount of storm water that infiltrates into the ground. The loss rate is modeled using the curve number method. Curve numbers (CN) range from CN = 30 indicating low runoff potential to CN = 98 indicating nearly 100% of rainfall becomes direct runoff. Curve number values are based on a combination of factors including soils, vegetation, and land use. The more impervious cover associated with development in a given drainage catchment, the higher the curve number. The minimum curve number used in the HEC-HMS is 59.4 and the maximum is 98, with an average curve number of 83 for the entire South Nolan Creek watershed.

### 3.2.3 Transform

The transform represents the translation and attenuation of excess rainfall to runoff as it flows to the point of concern. The lag time is used to model transform and is defined as the time between the centroid of the rainfall hyetograph and the peak flow. According to the NRCS, as a rule of thumb, lag time may be estimated as 60% of the time of concentration (Tc). The Tc is the time taken for the excess rainfall to travel from the hydrologically most distant location to the point of consideration.

### 3.3 HYDROLOGIC SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Only South Nolan Creek has a hydrologic model available. A complete set of hydrologic models for all of the watersheds within the City is not available. It is highly recommended that the City develop hydrologic models for all of the watersheds draining through the City limits. Such a set of models could be used to evaluate regional characteristics of the watershed, manage growth, and allow for a comprehensive regional detention drainage strategy to be developed.

### 4.0 MAJOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Schematic evaluations for the CIPs are presented in this section. The schematic evaluations were based on best available information and professional judgment and various assumptions. It should be understood that the schematic analyses presented in this report were developed in order to support the relative priority ranking of the CIPs. The schematic evaluations are not definitive and are based on simplifying assumptions. For the projects with available PERs, that information was used in the cost estimates and rankings presented here to the extent practical. Future PER reports will be required to more definitively establish the ultimate feasibility and costs of the CIPs presented and prioritized in this DMP.

Schematic evaluations were performed for three types of drainage infrastructure CIPs: 1) Regional Detention (Section 4.3), 2) Storm Drain and Ditch Neighborhood Drainage (Section 4.4), and 3) Stream Repair and Floodplain Improvements (Section 4.5). CIP projects within these categories were ranked, then all the CIP projects were pooled together to create a master list of projects with overall ranking as discussed in the recommendations section of this report (Section 7). A fourth category of CIPs concerning transportation cross drainage (bridges and culverts) are presented in Section 4.6 but are not explicitly ranked or evaluated schematically.

Appendix B.1, B.2, and B.3 include one- to two-page synopses of the project descriptions, and estimated benefits and costs for regional detention, storm drain and ditch neighborhood drainage, and stream repair and floodplain improvements. The anticipated benefit (discussed in the synopsis) is only a qualitative summary of improvements and does not allow for a truly quantitative benefit-cost comparison.

### 4.1 RANKING CRITERIA

For each CIP identified, project ranking was estimated by assigning a value between 0 and 5 within five categories: public safety, transportation access, property damage, engineering economy, and environmental considerations. A score between 0 and 5, with 5 indicating the highest priority, is assigned for each category. The five categories are taken to have equal weights. The scores for the five ranking factors were summed, and the highest score was considered to be the highest priority.

- 1. Public Safety This ranking component assigns greater weight to flooding associated with residential structures or stream crossings that have poor levels of service and cause flooding. Based on engineering judgment, if the surcharge flow is sufficient to cause a safety concern then the public safety component was ranked as a 4 or 5.
- 2. Transportation Access Major cross drainage infrastructure such as culverts and bridges were not evaluated in this report. Therefore, this ranking component deals mainly with improvements to local streets and collector roads as they pertain to storm drain and ditch improvements. However, in the case of regional detention, this factor may be ranked highly if it is perceived to improve cross drainage at a major road. Typically, this factor is given a ranking between 1 and 4 depending on the estimated amount of traffic and availability of alternate routes.

- 3. Property Damage This component considers the potential for property damage related to flooding associated with a particular piece of drainage infrastructure. The potential for property damage was qualitatively estimated based on the proximity of property structures to a CIP. If the CIP is perceived to lessen property damage due to inundation it was generally ranked with a 3 or a 4.
- 4. Engineering Economy This component qualitatively weighs the benefits of the proposed improvements against a planning-level cost estimate of the associated improvements. Improvements with the potential to provide significant benefits in the form of reduced damages to property, increased safety at stream crossings, or significant reductions in nuisance flooding relative to their cost were assigned a higher weight. Improvements with the potential for significant benefits relative to the estimate costs were generally assigned a ranking of 4 or 5. Improvements with lower benefits relative to the estimated cost were assigned a rank of 1, 2, or 3.
- 5. Water Quality Considerations As part of the Phase II Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP), the City indicated its willingness to include environmental considerations for all CIPs. No quantitative evaluation of environmental benefits was performed for this ranking component. The environmental weighting factors were applied based on engineering judgment from 0 to 5.

The proposed improvements were sorted in priority based on the sum total of the five ranking factors. The highest score was considered to be the highest-priority project.

### 4.2 COST ESTIMATES

In order to establish an economic baseline for comparison, planning-level cost estimates were developed for CIPs identified for future improvements. The cost estimates are not intended to be definitive, but are considered to be sufficiently accurate to portray the relative cost of the various projects and to allow for a sense of the engineering economy priority ranking.

A number of assumptions based on engineering judgment were made in the determination of certain quantities, such as the amount of fill and roadway pavement that might be required to improve a roadway culvert crossing. Other planning-level estimates were required for items such as the quantity of earthwork and temporary erosion and sedimentation control. Given the approximate nature of the cost estimate, a relatively high contingency of 25% was used. A PER specific to a given CIP would be required to determine a more accurate representation of the project feasibility and cost.

### 4.3 REGIONAL DETENTION CIP

Generally, there are two strategies for lowering storm water discharge through the use of detention ponds: (1) on-site detention pond, and (2) regional detention ponds. On-site detention is typically used for smaller sites with a single drainage catchment, and it is a relatively straightforward assignment to determine the required pond volume. However, regional detention typically involves more complex analyses because it is necessary to consider the watershed as a whole; consideration of the timing of

subwatersheds and the interactions of multiple ponds across the whole watershed is required to develop a comprehensive watershed management strategy for reducing flood risks on a regional scale.

This section discusses some of the issues associated with developing a regional detention strategy within the City. Schematic evaluations for regional detention ponds were only considered within the South Nolan Creek watershed. The South Nolan Creek watershed is the most developed watershed; approximately 57% of the City discharges through South Nolan Creek. Other possible regional detention locations were proposed conceptually (but not evaluated schematically). These conceptual ponds were generally placed where the stream leaves the City boundary. See Figure 4-1 for an overview of the locations of the regional detention ponds considered schematically and the regional ponds sited conceptually.

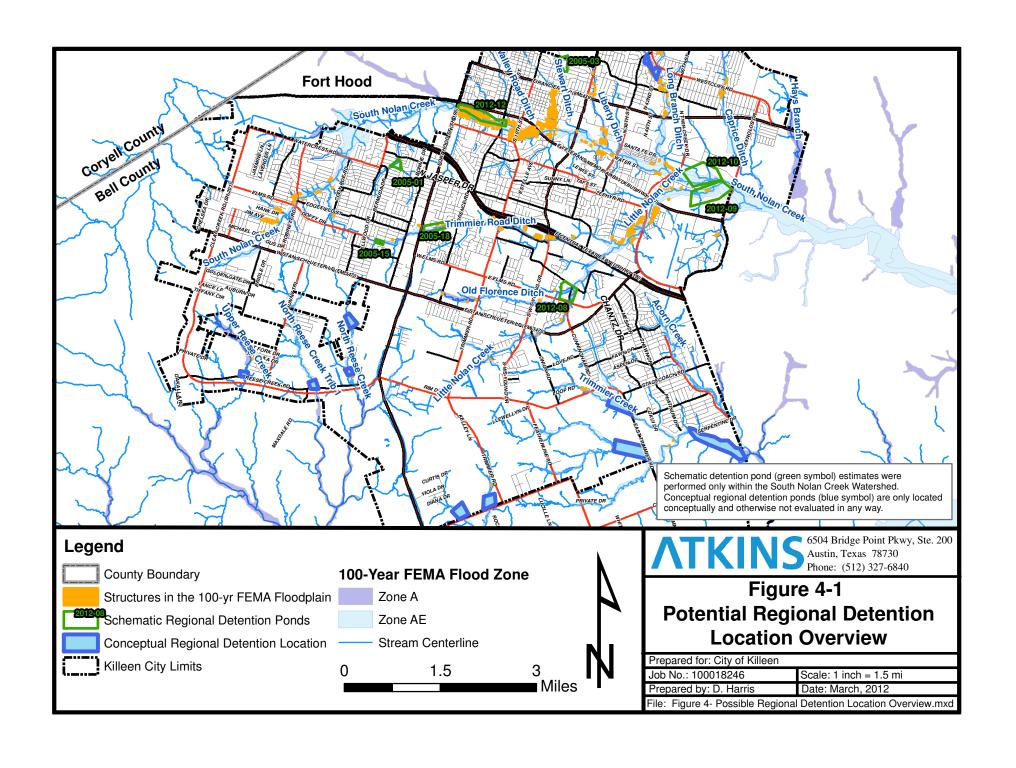
### 4.3.1 Introduction to Regional Detention Considerations

There are three basic regional watershed management strategies as discussed below. The City's strategy for employing one or a combination of these three strategies should be considered for additional study.

- 1. *Do nothing*. Depending on the location of the site within the watershed, it is sometimes better not to detain water. For instance, drainage subareas in the lower portions of the watershed generally should not be detained but rather allowed to discharge quickly so as not to combine with peak flow from the middle and upper portions of the watershed.
- 2. On-site detention requires the developer to show no adverse impacts in terms of peak flow at the outlet of the site being developed. The City already has land development criteria requiring on-site detention ponds. However, this strategy does not consider the regional implications of detaining a number of drainage areas in terms of the way the delayed peak flows might combine downstream. This strategy, without a regional watershed impacts study, can sometimes cause even more adverse impacts than the "do nothing" strategy
- 3. Allow a *fee in lieu* system where a developer pays into a regional detention fund that the City manages and uses to construct regional detention ponds. Also, occasionally a developer can coordinate with the City to help plan, design, and construct regional facilities of which the City would take ownership.

# 4.3.2 Regional Detention CIP Evaluation

Based on the detention ponds sited in the 2005 DMP and discussions with City staff and independent evaluations, 8 potential locations for regional flood control detention ponds were identified and evaluated schematically, and an additional 10 were identified conceptually but not evaluated otherwise (see Figure 4-1). A schematic analysis was performed for all 8 potential regional detention locations in order to determine the approximate reduction in flow compared to the estimated cost. A summary synopsis and overview figure for each of the 8 ponds, with a description of the pond, estimated flow reduction, detention volume estimates, perceived benefit, and estimated cost, is presented in Appendix B.1.



Two types of flood control ponds might be considered for detaining flood volume in order to reduce peak flood flows: (1) online detention, and (2) offline detention.

Online detention ponds usually consist of an "online" embankment placed across the channel similar to a dam. The stream flow can be reduced by metering the outlet of the pond using culverts and spillways. Flow reduction is possible because storm water is stored or detained in a volume of space created either through earthen excavation or by increasing the water surface elevation and creating a backwater effect.

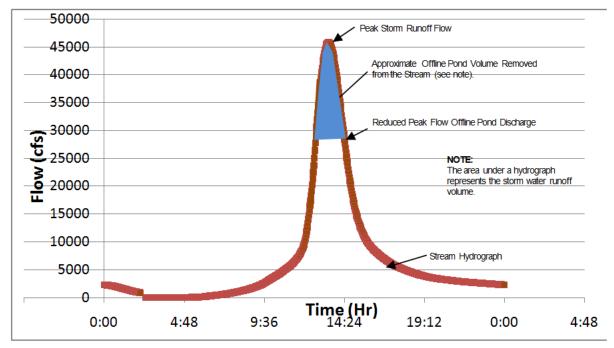
Offline detention facilities route all of the low flows around the storage detention chamber, usually in the original undisturbed natural channel, although sometimes channel improvements are required. Flows above a critical flood stage are "shaved off" by diverting a volume of storm water out of the stream system above the flood stage using a lateral weir running parallel to the stream.

The general shape of the online and offline hydrograph<sup>2</sup> is shown in Figure 4-3a and 4-3b. The area under the hydrograph represents the volume of storm water. The regional ponds peak flow reductions were evaluated schematically by simply subtracting out the potential storm water storage volume from the top of the hydrograph at the point of consideration.

The regional detention schematic analyses were performed using the following steps to evaluate and determine priority ranking for major CIPs.

- 1. The regional detention ponds were schematically located in light of aerial photography and parcel boundaries information.
- 2. The maximum available detention storage volume was estimated. Estimated detention storage volumes are expected to be generally larger than what would likely be available under more-detailed preliminary/final design considerations. Additionally, volume already occupied by floodplain waters may sometimes be included as part of the detention volume, which would make for a more optimistic assumption of available storm water storage volume.
- 3. The peak flow reduction for the 100-year event was estimated from the flow hydrograph (taken directly from the FEMA HEC-HMS model), by determining the flow that would result if a volume of storm water runoff equal to the available detention volume could be completely "shaved" off (or taken out) of the stream system. This "shaved" volume of water would be detained by the available detention pond volume.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A hydrograph is a graph of time (horizontal axes) versus runoff flow (vertical axis).



cfs = cubic feet per second

Figure 4-2a: Schematic Offline Pond Hydrograph

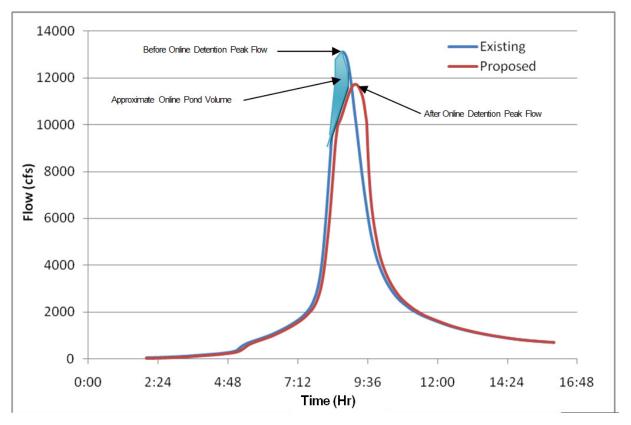


Figure 4-2b: Schematic Online Pond Hydrograph

As mentioned previously, some simplifying assumptions were made in estimating the available detention volume. Ponds were not explicitly modeled in HEC-HMS using storage discharge relationships. It is useful to first evaluate the regional detention ponds using these simplifying assumptions for estimating storage volume and peak flow shaving because often a potential pond can be quickly eliminated from further consideration if it does not provide a worthwhile flow reduction even under optimistic evaluation assumptions. However, if a schematic pond is shown to provide a worthwhile flow reduction using optimistic volumetric assumptions, then more-detailed evaluation techniques can be employed to ascertain project feasibility.

The regional detention CIPs were evaluated individually and independent of one another. No considerations were made for possible improvements that might result from two or more ponds in sequence. Such considerations would need to be evaluated in a watershed management regional detention study to fully appreciate the benefits and cost of regional detention.

Typically the construction of regional detention is justified by the need to either (1) lower peak flows so as to lessen existing downstream flooding conditions, or (2) prevent an increase in the peak flow due to future development. Naturally, these two points combined are also used to justify regional detention. These two justifications for building regional detention in Killeen are discussed in more detail in the following bulleted discussion points.

- <u>Lower Peak Flows</u>: See Table 4-1 for a summary of the conceivable peak flow reductions that might be obtained for the schematically evaluated regional detention ponds. Because a full accounting of the benefit cost is not made in this report, it is not clear whether the cost of regional detention may be justified based on flow reductions alone. It seems more likely that the goal of regional detention would be justified in order to prevent future flow increases so as not to exacerbate future flooding conditions.
- <u>Mitigate for Ultimate Development Flows</u>: See Table 4-2 for an overview of the opportunities to construct regional detention to help mitigate for ultimate development conditions. Table 4-2 summarizes drainage area, existing flow and volume, ultimate flow and volume, and increase in flow and volume from existing to ultimate development conditions. Ultimate development flows and volumes were estimated by simply increasing all of the curve numbers across the drainage catchments to at least CN = 92. The estimated ultimate development flows are adequate for this schematic level comparison but should not be considered definitive. More detailed hydrologic modeling would be required, including land use trends, to fully ascertain the feasibility of using regional detention to mitigate for ultimate conditions flows.

The ponds that were evaluated schematically have been ranked and summarized in Table 4-3. For more-detailed information, see Appendix B.1 for a synopsis for each of the regional detention CIPs summarized in Table 4-3.

Table 4-1 Conceptual Existing Conditions Flow Reduction using Regional Detention

		Ga a it of	Schematic		100-Year	
CIP ID	Location	Severity of Downstream Flooding Storage Volume (acreft)		Existing 100- Yr Peak Flow In (cfs)	Proposed 100- Yr Peak Flow Out (cfs)	Flow Reduction (%)
	Trimmier Road					
2005-18	Ditch	Low	40	2,949	2,700	-8
2012-08	Little Nolan Creek at Old Florence Ditch	Significant	260	8,390	7,000	-17
	Little Nolan Creek	J		,	,	
2012-09	at Outlet	Belton	413	18,691	17,500	-6
2012-10	South Nolan and Little Nolan at Confluence	Belton	560	45,705	43,000	-6
2005-03	Upper Stewart Ditch	Significant	15	1,626	1,550	-5
2012-12	Upper South Nolan Creek	Significant	Undefined	14,900	13,300	-11
2012 17	See Freese and Nichols PER (October 2010) for detailed information. There is minimal flooding downstream of th location, and it is not likely that the benefit would justify the here. Therefore, it has not been considered further.					
2012-17	Bermuda/Ronstan	Low	here. Therefore,	, it has not been o	considered furthe	r.

Table 4-2
Existing versus Ultimate Development Flow and Volume at Regional Detention CIPs

					100-ye	ar Peak Flo	w (cfs)	100-ує	ear Runoff \ (acre-ft)	/olume
Pond Count	Master Plan ID	Location Name	Drainage Area (Mi²)	Schematic Volume (acre-ft)*	Existing	Ultimate	Flow Increase	Existing	Ultimate	Volume Increase
1	2005-01	Bermuda/Ronstan	0.82	72	2,731	2,897	167	353	390	37
			12.50		15,280	16,233	953	3,673	3,987	314
0	2012 12	Lippor Couth Nolon Crook	14.19	Lindofinod**	18,195	19,415	1,219	4,420	4,789	369
2	2012-12	Upper South Nolan Creek	14.83	Undefined**	18,495	19,709	1,214	4,698	5,093	394
			15.15		18,462	19,638	1,176	4,841	5,243	402
3	2005-18 Trimmier Road Ditch		0.84	40	2,412	2,592	180	356	399	43
3	2003-16	Thinine Hoad Diton	1.19	40	2,949	3,111	162	513	567	53
4	2005-15	Little Nolan Creek Tributary 1 at Caprock	0.31	Undefined+	990	1,048	58	133	146	14
5	2005-03	Upper Stewart Ditch	0.63	15	1,838	1,838	0	302	302	0
6	2012-09	Little Nolan Creek at Outlet	11.07	413	18,692	20,334	1,642	4,662	5,274	611
7	2012-10	South Nolan Creek and Little Nolan Creek at Confluence	37.66	560	45,706	49,441	3,736	13,758	15,505	1,746
		Little Nolan Upper Out	2.51	Undefined	5,277	6,157	880	960	1,196	236
8	2012-08	Old Florence Ditch at Outlet	1.74	260	3,157	3,529	372	716	831	115
		Little Nolan and Old Florence	4.25	Undefined	8,390	9,647	1,256	1,677	2,026	350
9	2005-28	Long Branch	4.48	Undefined++	4,618	5,392	773	1,319	1,697	377

<sup>\*</sup> Volume only estimated schematically to within ±30% considering assumptions

<sup>\*\*</sup> Upper South Nolan Creek was evaluated preliminarily by Jacobs, and Upper South Nolan Creek detention in itself was not recommended

<sup>+</sup> This project is being evaluated preliminarily as of the writing of this report

<sup>++</sup> No preliminary engineering report has been prepared for this site, identified in the 2005 DMP

Table 4-3 Regional Detention Pond Ranking Summary

Rank 1	Project Reference Number 2005-18 B	Council District	Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Trimmier Road	Description of Project There are two distinct tracts of land on this	Estimated Cost* 945,100	Public Safety 2	Trans Access	Property Damage	Engineering Economy	Water Quality Benefit	Ranking Sum 6
, ,	2003 10 B	7	Ditch	reach—one upstream and one downstream—that may be used for regional detention. Independently, these ponds probably would not offer enough storage volume to appreciably lower the flows. However, in conjunction with the proposed upstream ponds, the detention volume offered at these locations would offer a useful benefit. There also appears to be sufficient volume available to mitigate for ultimate conditions flows.	343,100		· ·	-	•		o di
2	2012-08	3	Little Nolan Creek at Old Florence Ditch	This area is already largely within the 100-year floodplain. Therefore, in order to create volume, excavation would be required or a backwater impoundment using an embankment might be used to store floodwater. The schematic evaluation was performed assuming volume is added through excavation. This pond location appears to be one of the most feasible sites for regional detention. Enough additional storage volume might be created to mitigate for future conditions flows.	16,803,500	0	0	3	2	1	6
3	2005-01	4	Bermuda/Ronstan	This project area has been studied in a preliminary engineering report by Freese and Nichols. The main benefit of the pond would be to lower flows on Wheeler Drive to prevent overtopping for the 25-year event. However, this project cannot be justified only based on Wheeler overtopping. On the other hand, this site does appear to have enough potential storage volume to mitigate for ultimate development conditions and might be considered in a regional detention strategy.	2,997,995	2	2	0	0	1	5

Rank 4	Project Reference Number 2012-09	Council District	Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Little Nolan Creek at Outlet	Description of Project  This majority of the site is within the 100-year floodplain. Therefore, in order to create detention volume without causing a backwater impact, it is necessary to excavate. However, obtaining additional storage volume through increasing the backwater elevation should also be considered. The cost presented here is assuming a significant amount of soil and rock excavation, and as such would likely make the project unfeasible. However, the cost of creating storage by constructing an embankment to back up water may be well less than the excavation cost, and might make the project affordable enough to consider feasible.	Estimated Cost* 26,659,600	Public Safety 0	Trans Access 0	Property Damage 3	Engineering Economy 1	Water Quality Benefit 0	Ranking Sum 4
5	2012-10	1	South Nolan and Little Nolan at Confluence	The majority of the site area is within the 100-year floodplain. Therefore, in order to create detention volume without causing a backwater impact, it is necessary to excavate. However, obtaining additional storage volume through increasing the backwater elevation should also be considered. The cost presented here is assuming a significant amount of soil and rock excavation, and as such would likely make the project unfeasible. However, the cost of creating storage by constructing an embankment to back up water may be well less than the excavation cost, and might make the project affordable enough to consider feasible.	55,168,000	0	0	3	1	0	4
6	2005-03	2	Upper Stewart Ditch	Possible side overflow detention might be located here, just downstream of Fort Hood. Although there is significant flooding in this watershed, there is not enough storage detention volume available to appreciably lower the peak flows. The CIP cost would not be justified by the benefit.	1,716,800	2	1	0	0	0	3

Rank	Project Reference Number	Council District	Capital Improvement Project (CIP)	Description of Project	Estimated Cost*	Public Safety	Trans Access	Property Damage	Engineering Economy	Water Quality Benefit	Ranking Sum
7	2005-15	4	Little Nolan Creek Tributary 1 at Caprock Drive	As of the writing of this report, the PER for this project has been contracted out, but is not completed. Ranking judgments are being reserved pending the completion of the PER. This project is upstream of 2005-18.	Pending PER Conclusion	Not Estimated Pending PER Conclusions (Ongoing)					
8	2012-12	3	Upper South Nolan Creek	Dimple Street and Grey Street regional detention was considered by Jacobs. It was found that there is not enough storage volume available to appreciably lower the flows through detention (by excavation) and the cost justification is not there.	Not Estimated	0	0	0	0	0	0

From Table 4-1, the regional detention ponds appear to have the potential to reduce the 100-year peak flow by approximately 5% to 17%. From Table 4-2, it appears that the Bermuda/Ronstan (2005-01), Trimmier Road Ditch (2005-18), and Old Florence Ditch at Outlet (2012-08) have approximately enough potential storage volume to mitigate for future upstream development, which will tend to increase future flows and storm water runoff volume. From Table 4-3, the highest priority ponds are 2005-18 and 2012-08. The regional ponds considered at the outlet of Little Nolan Creek (2012-09) and South Nolan Creek and Little Nolan Creek at Confluence (2012-10) are situated at attractive locations to mitigate for ultimate development flows before water is discharged from the City limits, but it is not clear if enough storage volume could be created to make these ponds feasible and cost effective.

# 4.3.3 Regional Detention Recommendations

It is recommended that the City adopt a comprehensive regional detention strategy, geared primarily towards mitigating for ultimate development flows. This DMP report is not comprehensive enough to make definitive recommendations on which pond locations should be utilized for regional detention given the complexity of the issue. The first step in developing such a comprehensive watershed management strategy would be to develop watershed-wide hydrologic models for all drainage basins within the City. These hydrologic models should have well-documented assumptions for existing and future runoff conditions. Comprehensive watershed models could then be used to determine the independent and combined influence of the regional ponds discussed in this study and identify and evaluate further alternative scenarios. From that, individual ponds can be identified for preliminary engineering study to determine the preferred design strategy and cost.

### 4.4 STORM DRAIN AND DITCH NEIGHBORHOOD DRAINAGE

Eight areas were identified for possible improvements to storm drain and ditch neighborhood drainage systems. These problem areas typically experience shallow flooding in streets, but water has been known to overflow into residential homes on occasion due to inadequately sized ditches, storm drains, and outfalls. See Figure 4-3 for an overview of the location of the proposed storm drain and ditch neighborhood areas identified for improvements. See Appendix B.2 for a synopsis of the eight projects considered for schematic evaluation.

A summary and priority ranking of the storm drain and ditch neighborhood drainage projects are presented in Table 4-4. From this, a total of \$2.6 million (approximately) of drainage improvements to storm drain and ditch neighborhood drainage systems have been identified. The projects with the highest priority were for Greenforest Circle (2005-27), Trimmier/10th Street at Hallmark (2012-21), Woodrow Phase 2 (2012-02), Briarcroft Lane (2008-05), and Misty Land Strom Drain Phase 2 (2012-16) among others. Preliminary engineering study and design will be required to specify cost and alternative design strategies on a project by project basis.

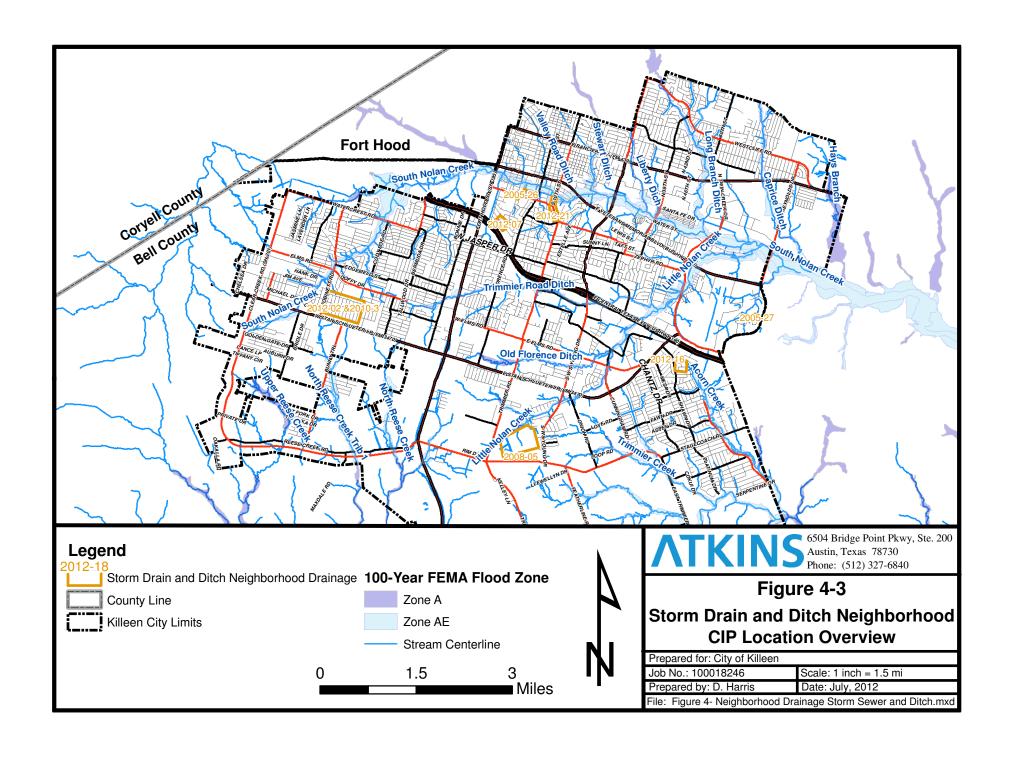


Table 4-4 Storm Drain and Ditch Neighborhood Drainage CIP Ranking Summary

Rank 1	Project Reference Number 2005-27	Council District 1	Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Greenforest Circle Storm Drain and Inlets	Description of Project  Street and neighborhood experiences flooding due to the lack of a conveyance system. Recommend adding storm drain and curb inlets. Drainage on Greenforest Circle and South Roy Reynolds will both see	Estimated Cost (\$)* 208,000	Public Safety 2	Trans Access 4	Property Damage 5	Engineering Economy 4	Water Quality Benefit 0	Ranking Sum 15
2	2012-21	3	Trimmier/10th Street at Hallmark Storm Drain and Inlets	Intersection of E. Hallmark Avenue where it splits to the west down Hallmark Avenue, and north down South 10th Street causing road nundation and a traffic hazard. Additional storm drain inlets and pipe along  Trimmier/10th Street that would tie into an existing system that outfall at South Nolan  Creek is recommended.		0	15				
3	2012-02	4	Woodrow - Phase 2 Storm Drain Construction	Phase 1 storm drain improvements have been completed. Add additional (Phase II) curb inlets and storm drain along Woodward Drive.		0	13				
4	2008-05	3	Briarcroft Lane Culvert and Ditch/Channel Improvements	Increase Briarcroft culvert outlet to 50-year level of service (LOS) and improve surrounding ditches; improve Tanglewood Estates Outlet Channel to 50-year LOS. At the split flow at Briarcroft and Mighty Oak Lane, water might be completely directed north, away from the three 30-inch reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) at the outlet along Briarcroft.	181,000	2	3	4	3	0	12
5	2012-16	2	Misty Lane Phase 2 Storm Drain	This project was identified in 2005 for storm drain improvements along Misty Lane. A PER was performed by the Wallace Group that also considered channel improvements to Acorn Creek and Bending Trail Ditch.  Clogging at the Bending Trail Ditch and Acorn Creek Trail cross culvert has been known to occur and three 6-x-5-foot reinforced concrete box (RCB) up-sized culverts have been proposed by Wallace Group. One property reported flooding on Greenlee Drive in the September 2010 event in this area. Therefore, maintenance and drainage improvements to the flume behind this	275,000	2	3	3	3	0	11

Rank	Project Reference Number	Council District	Capital Improvement Project (CIP)	Description of Project residence should be considered as well.	Estimated Cost (\$)*	Public Safety	Trans Access	Property Damage	Engineering Economy	Water Quality Benefit	Ranking Sum
6	2012-03	4	Woodrow Phase 3 Storm Drain Construction	Phase 1 Storm Drain improvements have been completed. Add additional (Phase 3) curb Inlets and storm drain along Jake Spoon Drive.	143,000	3	3	2	3	0	11
7	2012-07	3 & 4	Skyline Ave Storm Drain and Inlets Construction	Runoff from the apartment complex at the top of the drainage area should be better directed into existing storm drain inlet, or otherwise directed away from the three homes that reported flooding in the September 2010 event. Storm water runoff is also known to cause street and yard flooding. Therefore, storm drains and curb inlets should be considered on Swope Drive and Skyline Avenue.	650,000	2	3	2	2	0	9
8	2005-26	3	Wolf Ditch Storm Drain	This project was identified in the 2005 DMP for a new storm drain pipe. The existing pipe evidentially runs under existing property and may be undersized. However, there are no major drainage issues known to occur in here.	596,000	1	0	2	1	0	4

SUM TOTAL 2,644,000

## 4.4.1 Storm Drain and Ditch Neighborhood Recommendations

Storm drain, ditch, and outfall improvements tend to have a direct positive impact on the citizens who live in the neighborhood, and improvements often can enhance transportation access benefiting citizens broadly across the City. As such, these types of projects tend to have a high ranking, and it is recommended that nearly all of the CIP projects presented in this section be considered for more detailed study, design, and construction.

#### 4.5 STREAM REPAIR AND FLOODPLAIN IMPROVEMENTS

A number of stream reaches have been identified with failures in their concrete-lined channel, or earthen channels that have experienced severe erosion in both the bed and banks. Additionally, throughout the City there are a number of streams that are the source of flooding for surrounding property and structures. Ten areas have been identified for schematic evaluation for stream repair and floodplain improvements. See Figure 4-4 for an overview of the location of stream reaches identified for capital improvement. See Appendix B.3 for a synopsis of the projects considered for schematic evaluation.

Generally, there are three types of CIPs that have been identified related to streams and channels as discussed below.

- 1. <u>Concrete Channel Repair</u>: There are numerous concrete channels throughout the City that are at full capacity for just the 10-year flow, and the vast majority of concrete channels will overflow for the 50-year flow. During the September 2010 event, several concrete channels overflowed. Consequently, where the channel overflowed, the soil frequently was washed out at the interface between the concrete and soil on the top of bank. Additionally, there were several concrete panels that completely failed and were washed downstream, as shown for in Figure 4-5. The most severe concrete channel failures, in order of priority, occurred in Stewart, Valle Road, and Fowler Run Ditch.
- 2. Earthen Channel Repair/Stream Restoration and Enhancement: As land development occurs in a watershed, it is common for the developer to widen and straighten existing natural channels. Often, these earthen channels were constructed with side slopes as steep as 1:1 (horizontal:vertical). As the watershed develops, additional impervious cover increases storm water runoff volumes and peak flows. As a result, there is an increased rate of erosion. Side slopes of 1:1 oftentimes will erode to a vertical position and continue to erode back into the bank. This is most likely to occur where the bed slope is 2% or greater. A number of examples of stream erosion have occurred in Upper South Nolan Creek watershed where earthen channels were constructed with inadequate capacity and side slopes that were too steep and therefore have eroded as in Figure 4-6.

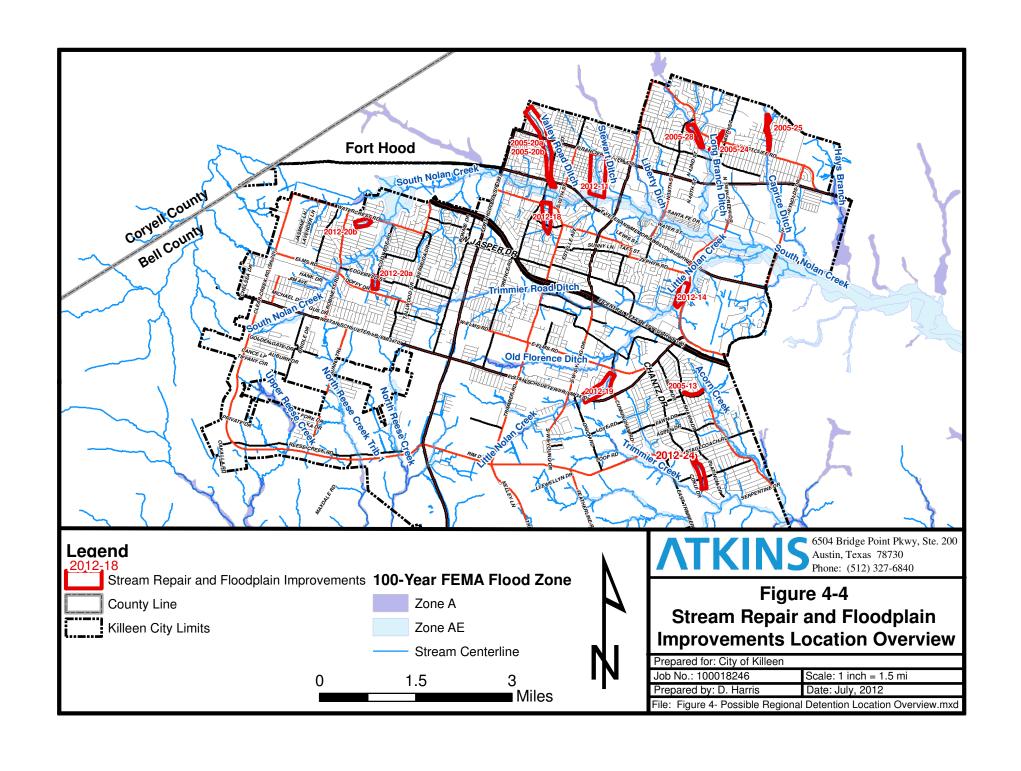


Figure 4-5: Example of Concrete Channel Needing Repair



Figure 4-6: Example of Stream Needing Channel Restoration and Enhancement



3) <u>Floodplain Improvement</u>: Killeen has almost 900 residential and business structures in the 100-yr FEMA floodplain. Studies have previously been performed that outline existing and proposed alternative floodplain boundaries for areas such as South Nolan Creek (alternative detention), Valley Road Ditch, Bermuda/Ronstan Ditch (alternative detention and channel improvements), Acorn Creek (alternative channel Improvements), and South Nolan Creek at Stallion Drive (alternative detention, stream enhancements).

Table 4-5 Stream Repair and Floodplain Improvements Ranking Summary

Rank	Project Reference Number	Council District	Capital Improvement Project (CIP)	Description of Project	Estimated Cost (\$)*	Public Safety	Trans Access	Property Damage	Engineering Economy	Water Quality Benefit	Ranking Sum
1	2012-11	2	Stewart Ditch Channel Repair and Improvements	This concrete channel has some of the most severe and numerous structural failures in the City. There are about 88 structures in the 100-year floodplain, and channel improvements should be considered. Preliminary drainage engineering should be commissioned for this entire reach so that alternative drainage improvements and cost can be better understood. This project area is considered a high priority for channel repair, preliminary engineering study, and channel improvements.	862,000	4	4	5	2	0	15
2	2005-20b	2 & 3	Valley Road Ditch Phase 2 Floodplain Mitigation	The first priority is to repair the concrete channel and prevent the progression of existing failures. As funding is available, channel and culvert improvements should be considered as per the Walker Partners study. Improvements to the railroad culverts have recently been funded to add two 72-inch RCP.	373,000	4	4	4	2	0	14
3	2005-20c	2 & 3	Valley Road Ditch Phase 3 Floodplain Mitigation	Avenue A to Avenue B improvements including demolish existing concrete channel lining, headwall and improve culvert at Avenue A.	928,000	4	4	4	2	0	14
4	2012-20b	4	Edgefield Stream Restoration	This reach is highly eroded and has little aesthetic value. Two existing concrete grade-control structures have been washed out and should be replaced with rock riprap (or concrete). Other grading and landscaping alternatives should be considered to enhance vegetation and aesthetics.	250,000	0	0	3	3	4	10
5	2012-20a	4	Rainforest Stream Restoration	The vertical banks should be laid back to a stable slope, and up to 5 rock grade-control structures should be considered to prevent channel-bed erosion.	150,000	0	0	3	3	4	10

Rank	Project Reference Number	Council District	Capital Improvement Project (CIP)	Description of Project	Estimated Cost (\$)*	Public Safety	Trans Access	Property Damage	Engineering Economy	Water Quality Benefit	Ranking Sum
6	2005-24	1	Dickens Ditch Stream Repair	This reach is experiencing some erosion and has the potential to damage private property and erode outside of the drainage easement, erosion is just now or may in the future start to progress outside of the drainage easement. Therefore, actions to stabilize the stream reach downstream of Westcliff Road should be considered.	350,000	0	0	4	3	3	10
7	2012-18	3	Fowler Run Ditch Infrastructure Repair	This concrete ditch needs to be maintained by repairing structural concrete failures, filling in the overbanks, and armoring the overbank against future washouts. Finally, this reach should be studied to identify the extent of the 100-year floodplain and consider possible channel improvements. This project will likely be completed by City crews.	99,000	0	0	4	4	2	10
8	2005-28	1	Long Branch Environmental Enhancements	This area was identified in the 2005 DMP for possible detention. Although there are some downstream flooding issues, this area is perceived to be better suited for environmental enhancements such as riffle pool and water quality environmental enhancements. Detention is not recommended here, but environmental and aesthetic improvements should be considered.	500,000	0	0	0	2	5	7
9	2012-24	2	Garcia Ditch Stream Stabilization	This channel has some severely eroded "nick points" within the channel, and the banks are eroding toward residential land undermining fences and land. Better vegetative cover should be established, armoring should be added to protect nick points, and the side slopes should be laid back to perhaps 1.5:1. Some rock riprap armoring and or grade-control structures may be warranted. Cost not estimated in detail.	200,000	0	0	2	2	3	7

Rank	Project Reference Number	Council District	Capital Improvement Project (CIP)	Description of Project	Estimated Cost (\$)*	Public Safety	Trans Access	Property Damage	Engineering Economy	Water Quality Benefit	Ranking Sum
10	2005-25	1	Caprice Ditch	This site was Identified in the 2005 DMP for channel clearing and potential detention. One erosion spot has been reported downstream of Westcliff Road; otherwise, no major maintenance issues are known for this reach. Regional detention was suggested in the 2005 DMP and sited just downstream of Fort Hood; the detention location may be feasible to lower downstream flooding potential, but a PER would be required to determine design alternatives and ultimate feasibility.	378,000	0	0	5	0	1	6
11	2005-13	2	Bending Trail Creek	This area was considered in a PER by the Wallace Group. This ditch has a limestone bottom, and the first phase of construction includes improving the channel at Acorn Creek section and then addressing the crossing under Acorn Creek Road. The Wallace Group PER also considered storm drain improvements and additional channel improvements. Cost not estimated in detail.	200,000	1	2	1	1	0	5
12	2012-14	2	Pilgrim Drive Residential Units	There are several residential structures that experienced flooding in the September 2010 storm event, and the FEMA 100-year floodplain also shows extensive flooding. However, this area would require extensive design and construction cost to improve the floodplain to prevent future flooding. Major engineering and construction CIPs are not recommended for this area given the magnitude and complexity of design considerations required to preventing residential flooding. Residential properties might be considered for future buyout under a FEMA repetitive loss grant. Little Nolan Creek should also be considered for channel bank restoration and vegetative improvements to enhance aesthetic and environmental considerations. Cost not estimated in detail.	200,000	0	0	5	0	0	5

Rank	Project Reference Number	Council District	Capital Improvement Project (CIP)	Description of Project	Estimated Cost (\$)*	Public Safety	Trans Access	Property Damage	Engineering Economy	Water Quality Benefit	Ranking Sum
13	2012-19	3	Little Nolan Creek Stream Restoration	Nine infrastructure failure points were documented after the September 2010 event. There are some minor bank erosion issues and moderately high erosion at some of the outfalls along this reach. This project is considered relatively low priority, but has the potential for future more-severe erosion and should be monitored in the future. Cost not estimated in detail.	200,000	0	0	0	2	2	4

SUM TOTAL \$4,690,000

## 4.5.1 Stream Repair and Floodplain Improvement Recommendations

The highest priority stream repair and floodplain improvement projects are the concrete channels in need of repair, in particular at Valley Road Ditch (2005-20) and Stewart Ditch (2012-11). These CIPs have numerous concrete sections that have been completely washed out, and more-severe and extensive costly damage will occur in future storm events if repairs are not made. In addition to concrete channel repairs, Valley Road and Stewart Ditch have known floodplain issues, with the potential for damage to residential and commercial property. Therefore, channel improvements should be considered as funding allows.

In addition to the concrete channel repair needs, there are a number of earthen channels that are unstable and experiencing a high rate of erosion. The earthen channels within the City considered to have some of the highest priority stream restoration needs are Edgefield/Rainforest (2012-20), Dickens Ditch (2005-24), and Garcia Ditch (2012-24).

# 4.6 TRANSPORTATION CROSS DRAINAGE (BRIDGES AND CULVERTS)

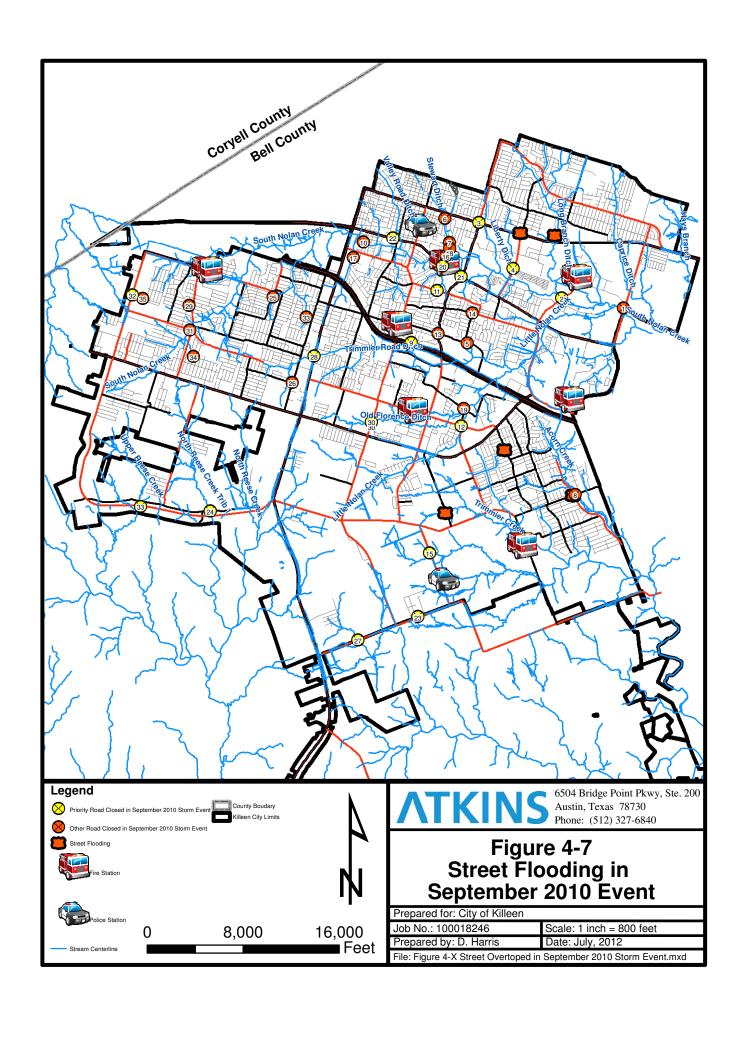
According to the Centers for Disease Control, over half of all flood-related drownings occur when a vehicle is driven into hazardous floodwaters<sup>2</sup>. Fast moving floodwater of just 6 inches deep is sufficient to knock over an adult. Most cars and trucks may be washed away by 2 ft or less of rushing water. The City's 1992 Drainage Design Criteria specifies a 50-year level of service (LOS) for drainage areas between 100 and 600 acres; for drainage areas greater than 600 acres, the road must pass the 100-year flow without overtopping.

The September 2010 event caused one fatality when a car was swept off of Reese Creek Road. During the September 2010 storm event, 35 road crossings were closed due to dangerous conditions with water overtopping the road or threatening to do so. See Figure 4-7 for the locations of the roads closures due to the September 2010 storm event.

A detailed analysis of road overtopping was outside the scope of this report. Therefore, road crossing improvements have not been ranked explicitly using the CIP prioritization criteria identified for the CIPs schematically evaluated above.

Of the 35 road closures during the September 2010 storm event, 19 crossings have been identified as high-priority stream crossings that should be considered for future improvements. Identification of these 19 high-priority crossings was based on the following considerations: 1) the importance of the road to stay open during a storm event; for instance, any principal arterial or marginal access road that overtopped in the September 2010 event was included in the high-priority list, and 2) the proximity of that road to fire and police stations and how future road closures might affect emergency response. See Table 4-6 for a list of the 19 highest priority road/stream crossings that have the potential to hinder emergency response during a major storm event.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> http://www.nws.noaa.gov/os/water/tadd/tadd-intro.shtml



It is also expected that as roads are reconstructed or widened, cross drainage will be evaluated, and opportunities to upsize bridges and culverts (to meet City Requirements) will be engaged as individual roads are considered for improvement.

Table 4-6
Priority Stream Crossings Suggested for Future Improvements Consideration

Count	ID	Location
1	2	Twin Creek Road and the Railroad Tracks
2	3	WS Young and Rancier
3	4	38th Street below the Overhead Railroad Track
4	7	Greenwood and Alexander
5	9	Imperial Drive and Central Texas Expressway
6	11	Terrace and Redondo
7	12	Elms Road and Cunningham
8	15	Featherline between Chaparral and Stagecoach
9	16	28th Street between VMB and Greenwood
10	18	28th and Avenue G
11	20	28th and VMB
12	21	W.S. Young and VMB
13	22	Park and VMB
14	23	Chapparal Road and just east of Purple Martin Drive
15	24	Reese Creek Road near Maxdale Road
16	27	Chapparal Road and Hwy 195
17	28	Alpine and Highway 195
18	30	W.S. Young between Elms and Stan Schlueter
19	32	Clear Creek and Desert Willow
20	33	Upper Reese Creek at Reese Creek Road (Fatality during Tropical Storm Hermine Occurred Here)

#### 4.7 DRAINAGE EASEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Additional easements will likely be required for proposed culvert and outfall improvements, the repair/improvement and stabilization of drainageways, and regional detention ponds. However, where it can be shown that the property owner would benefit mutually from the proposed improvement, easement acquisition should be attempted at no cost to the City. In other locations, the City may have a prescriptive right to make drainage improvements without first acquiring drainage easement. For instance, for areas within a concrete channel, the City is assumed to have a prescriptive right to maintain and repair that channel irrespective of whether there is a drainage easement.

Drainage easement needs were estimated for this study using a drainage easement shapefile received from the City. However, not all easements were identified in this shapefile, and it did not include drainage easements granted to the City after 2005. Therefore, easements must be considered in more detail when developing preliminary engineering studies for the individual CIPs. Where no easement was found based

on the City's easement shapefile, easement acquisition was assumed to be required in the schematic cost estimate. In addition to drainage easements, the need for temporary construction and access easements may also be required.

## **5.0 FEMA MAP CHANGES**

The current FEMA FIRMs for Bell County became effective on September 26, 2008. The previously effective FIRM was dated February 1984. This section evaluates the differences between these two floodplain boundaries in order to determine the number of properties in the recently updated floodplain as compared to the previous effective 1984 boundary.

A GIS analysis was performed to identify the number of structures that were inside the 100-year floodplain for the 1984 and 2008 boundaries within the study area. The structure footprints feature dataset provided by the City was used in the comparison. See Table 5-1 below for a summary of the structure count for the various creeks mapped in the 2008 and 1984 FEMA studies.

Table 5-1 FEMA 1984 vs. 2008 Structures in 100-year Floodplain Count

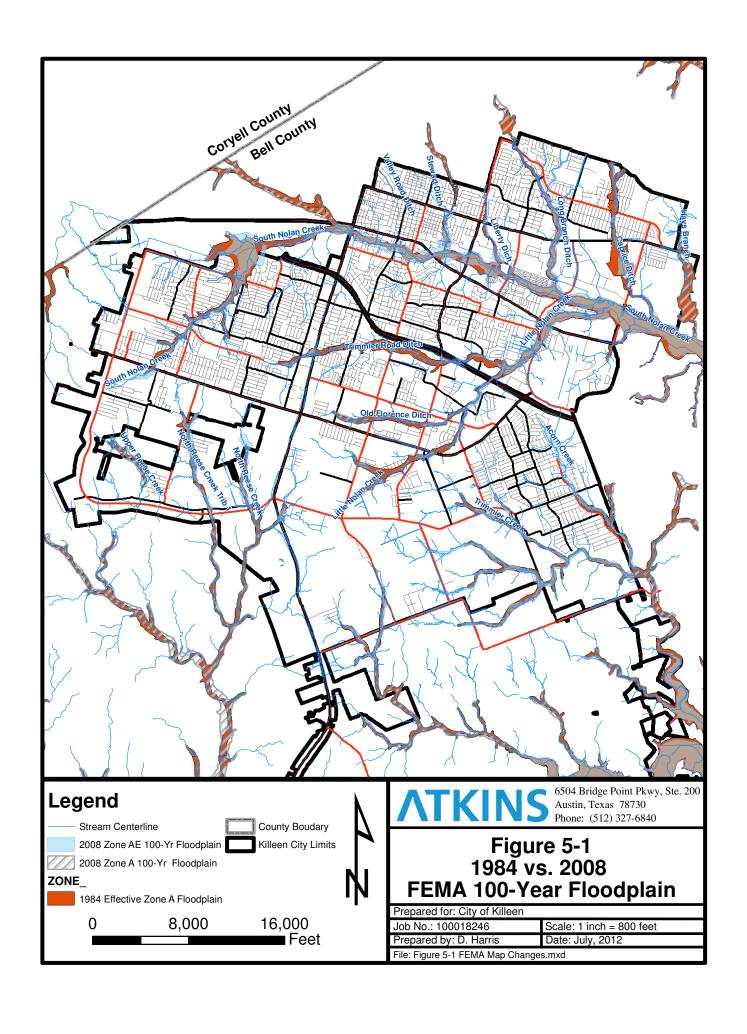
	2008	1984
Stream Name	Structure	Structure
	Count	Count
Acorn Creek	0	0
Caprice Ditch	20	132
Chaparral Creek	2	3
Embers Creek	0	0
Harker Heights Tributary 4	3	7
Hay Branch	0	0
Hilliard Creek	1	0
Liberty Ditch	17	20
Little Nolan Creek	128	187
Long Branch Ditch	44	42
North Reese Creek	1	0
North Reese Creek Trib 1	0	0
North Reese Creek Trib 3	0	0
Old Florence Ditch	6	34
Rock Creek	2	0
South Nolan Creek	496	341
Stewart Ditch	126	81
Trimmier Creek	6	13
Trimmier Road Ditch	27	146
Upper Reese Creek	2	0
Yowell Creek	0	0
Yowell Creek Trib	0	0

**Total** 

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### **6.0 WATER QUALITY CONSIDERATIONS**

Water quality considerations were not a scoped objective of this drainage needs assessment study. However, as part of a comprehensive DMP, some basic water quality considerations should be considered. Ideally, this subject would be covered in more detail under a stand-alone report specific to water quality strategies. Such a report would provide recommendations for water quality criteria and water quality improvement strategies based on an assessment of alternative water quality control techniques along with a corresponding ranking of advantages and disadvantages that could be used by policy makers to adopt water quality criteria.

The City does not currently mandate permanent water quality Best Management Practices (BMPs) measures for new developments, such as water quality ponds, vegetative buffer/filter strips, etc. However, the City does maintain a Phase II Storm Water Management Program (SWMP), which seeks to reduce the discharge of storm water pollutants to the maximum extent practical. The SWMP is mandated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the Clean Water Act and enforced by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). The City maintains a Municipal Separate Storm Drain System (MS4) that is subject to the requirement of the SWMP under a small MS4 general permit approved by TCEQ.

Section 5 of the City's SWMP discusses required minimum control measures such as public outreach and illicit discharge detection. The SWMP also calls for the development of future ordinances requiring the use of permanent storm water quality control measures in areas of new development and redevelopment known as post construction ordinances. Post construction ordinances were in August of 2012.

The remainder of this section covers two primary topics related to water quality control:

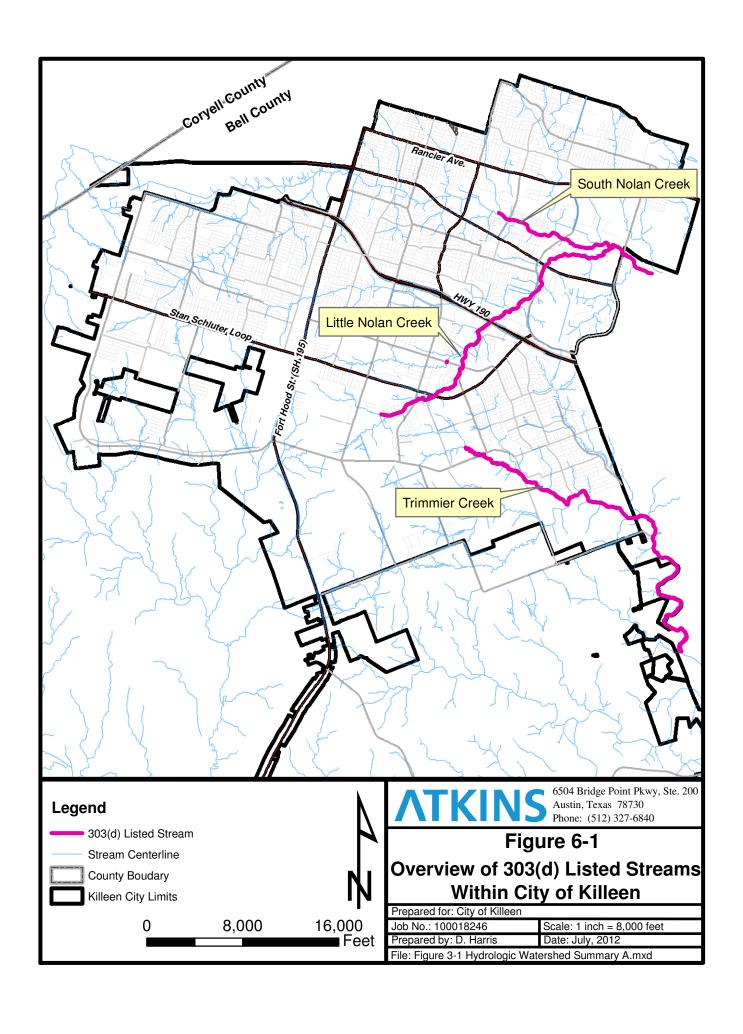
- 1. Identification of water quality improvement goals.
- 2. Identification of the types of BMPs or construction techniques and strategies that might be considered in developing any future post construction ordinances.

## 6.1.1 Water Quality Improvement Goals

Water quality improvement goals should be based on a desired reduction in sediment, phosphorus, nitrogen, biochemical oxygen demand, and bacteria, which are among the most important types of pollutants. As detailed below, there are three watersheds within the City that drain into streams listed on the 2010 TCEQ 303(d) list of impaired water bodies. See Figure 6-1 for an overview figure of these three water bodies.

- 1. Trimmier Creek: From confluence with Stillhouse Hollow Lake upstream to its headwaters (Segment ID 1216A\_01), listed for bacteria.
- 2. South Nolan Creek: From confluence with North Nolan Creek upstream to confluence with Liberty Ditch (Segment ID 1218C\_02), listed for bacteria.

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3. Little Nolan Creek: From the confluence with South Nolan Creek upstream to headwaters (Segment ID 1218C\_01), listed for bacteria.

All of these streams are listed for bacteria, so post construction ordinances that can be shown to mitigate for bacterial loading would provide a clear water quality benefit to a known impaired stream. Bacteria are a common reason for listing a 303(d) stream and are associated with both agricultural and urban land uses. Furthermore, bacteria counts can be mitigated using a number of different BMP strategies. Some of these possible BMP strategies, which apply both to bacteria and the other contaminants listed above, are discussed in the following subsection.

## 6.1.2 Water Quality Improvement Strategies

There are three basic strategies commonly employed in the development of post construction ordinances designed to manage water quality concerns. The first and most common strategy is to require "conventional" BMPs such as sedimentation/filtration ponds, wet ponds, and vegetative buffer strips. The second strategy is to use low-impact development techniques. The third strategy is a combination of traditional BMPs and low-impact development construction techniques.

#### Strategy #1 – Conventional Water Quality BMPs

Currently there are a number of municipalities in Texas (such as the cities of Austin and San Antonio, among others) that have ordinances that mandate the use of what might be considered "conventional" water quality controls. These controls are "conventional" in the sense that they have been employed for a relatively long period, have a well-established history of use, and are associated with numerous studies that document the effectiveness of such controls. Most of these "conventional" controls are structural in nature with the exception of vegetative filter strips as discussed in more detail below. Regional detention ponds should also be considered as a possible water quality pond.

- Sedimentation/Filtration Systems These systems use a sedimentation chamber to capture the first flush of rainwater, which then migrates into a filtration chamber that typically uses a sand bed to filter the water before it is discharged. These systems are designed to capture only the first flush of storm runoff, which is considered to have the highest concentration of pollutants. Surcharge flows would typically be diverted to a flood control pond.
- Wet Ponds These ponds are designed to always have some amount of water, and require aquatic vegetation and wetland plantings that remove dissolved nutrients.
- Sedimentation Systems Sedimentation systems capture a given volume of water and release the water slowly enough to allow the sedimentation of suspended solids.
- Extended Detention Ponds Extended detention simply creates extra volume in a detention pond
  that allows for a long enough hydraulic residence time that sedimentation of suspended solids
  may take place.
- Retention/Irrigation Systems These systems retain all of the water captured in the pond without releasing it to a receiving stream. Stored water is then used for irrigation or allowed to evaporate.

Clay linings may be desired in these systems to prevent infiltration so that stored water may be used for irrigation.

- Retention/Infiltration Systems This system is similar to the above system; however, provisions
  are made to ensure that the bottom of the pond is sufficiently permeable to allow the captured
  water to infiltrate into the ground.
- Vegetative Filter Strips Vegetative filter strips provide a vegetative buffer through which sheet
  flow from an urban area may be directed to promote infiltration, filtration, and the absorption of
  nutrients from the runoff. Vegetative filter strips are commonly used along roads, and have been
  studied by the TCEQ and approved as a valid measure used in water pollution abatement plans
  required for development over the Edwards Aquifer.

The controls described above each have their own advantages and disadvantages. In general, the disadvantages of these structural controls are that they all require maintenance and in many instances are not aesthetically pleasing to some. On the other hand, these controls offer the advantage that they are well established and may be constructed using a clearly defined set of criteria. Such criteria should yield a relatively well-defined water quality benefit.

#### Strategy #2 - Low Impact Development

Municipalities are becoming increasingly concerned about whether conventional BMPs are being maintained properly, and developers are faced with regulations that require them to lose significant amounts of developable property in order to build structural BMPs. As a result, Low Impact Development (LID) techniques are gaining acceptance as viable strategies to meet water quality goals by reducing the peak flow, runoff volume, and pollution loads of storm water in innovative ways. Examples of LID techniques are given below.

- *Minimize impervious cover* using pervious pavers When developing land, some amount of impervious cover will always be required. However, there are useful ways to reduce impervious cover such as using pervious pavers/pavement for residential and commercial driveways.
- Rain gardens are shallow depressions in the ground that act somewhat like a wetland area to retain some amount of runoff and release the water to infiltration and evapotranspiration. Small rain gardens are most effective when constructed on a lot-by-lot basis across an entire subdivision as opposed to one large, regional rain garden.
- *Green roofs* are most practical for commercial structures, and entail planting vegetation on the roof of a structure so as to create permeable area capable of capturing some amount of rainfall. This volume of rainfall is retained and slowly released through evapotranspiration.
- Rain harvesting is useful for capturing the first flush of rainwater and storing the water in a rain barrel collection system. This strategy offers the additional benefit that stored rainwater may then be used to water landscaped areas and reduce demand on municipal water supplies.
- Open drainage conveyance in vegetated channels is always more preferable from a water quality standpoint than the use of concrete storm drain systems. A storm drain tends to increase the peak rate of runoff and prevents infiltration and nutrient uptake that may otherwise occur in a vegetated open channel.

LID techniques have the advantage that, if designed and constructed properly, these strategies do a better job of matching the original hydrologic characteristics of an area in terms of runoff timing, peak flow, and volumes. LID measures also tend to be more aesthetically pleasing. However, LID strategies are more subjective, require participation/maintenance by the residents of the LID area, and make it more difficult to quantify the resultant water quality benefit.

## Strategy #3 – Combination of Conventional and Low Impact Development Techniques using Cityapproved Development Plans

The City may consider post construction ordinances that require the developer to submit a water quality control plan providing for both conventional structural and nonstructural BMPs as well as LID techniques. Such a plan would need to be developed by a qualified, licensed professional engineer and suitably show that the proposed development meets established criteria in terms of storm water flow, volume, and pollutant removal. Such a plan would have the advantage of allowing the developer the flexibility to use a variety of water quality control strategies, but would have the disadvantage that the effectiveness of any given plan would be somewhat more subjective than if only conventional structural controls were mandated.

It is recommended that the City engage in a study of the sort of water quality BMPs strategies presented in this section. Such a study should identify the advantages and disadvantages of each BMP with recommended measures that might be used to develop City policy regarding water quality criteria and/or ordinances.

### 7.0 CIP RECOMMENDATIONS & CONCLUSIONS

This report contains an extensive body of information related to the drainage issues throughout the City of Killeen. The primary focus of this report was related to the identification of drainage capital improvement projects. Three types of drainage projects were considered in detail: 1) regional detention, 2) storm drain and ditch neighborhood drainage and 3) stream repair and floodplain improvements. See Section 4 for detailed information on the drainage CIP projects studied and ranked, and see Appendix B.1, B.2 and B.3 for synopsis summary information for all CIP projects.

Due to the regulatory time constraints placed on expenditure of bond funds, it is recommended that the City's drainage utility utilize bonding limitations similar to the water & sewer utility. This would result in updating the drainage master plan in three year cycles and limiting the drainage bond to an amount between \$5 million and \$10 million dollars. The larger bond years are anticipated to include projects such as regional detention and large scale stream restoration. The recommendation for 2012 is for a smaller bond to construct projects that underwent preliminary design from the previous bond, to design and construct new projects identified in this drainage master plan, and to develop H/H models to evaluate future regional detention projects.

Eight possible regional detention CIP projects were identified. Trimmier Road Ditch (2005-18) and Little Nolan Creek at Old Florence Ditch (2012-08) have the highest priority. However, it is foremost recommended that before any more regional detention ponds are studied, designed or constructed, a comprehensive regional detention pond analysis should be performed in order to better understand the interaction between the existing regional ponds and the proposed ponds so that a comprehensive strategy for regional detention can be developed. This comprehensive regional detention pond analysis is required in order to identify the benefits and costs necessary to justify these relatively expensive CIPs. In addition, the existence of a comprehensive hydrologic study would allow the City to better manage future development on a watershed basis and mitigate for resulting impacts on downstream stakeholders. As part of this comprehensive regional detention pond analysis, it is recommended that a regional watershed modeling and floodplain mapping study be conducted across the entire City so that the latest and best available land use information may be incorporated.

Eight storm drain ditch and neighborhood drainage improvement areas were identified for capital improvement. These improvements were schematically estimated to cost approximately \$2,644,000<sup>3</sup>. These types of drainage improvements tend to have the highest perception of value to the citizens and tend to result in the greatest benefit to the most people. It is recommended that the seven highest priority projects (from Table 4-4) be considered for funding of preliminary engineering study. The highest priority storm drain, ditch, and/or neighborhood CIPs are for Greenforest Circle storm drain and inlets (2005-27), Trimmier/10th Street at Hallmark storm drain and inlets (2012-21), Woodrow Phase 2 strom

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Costs were estimated schematically based on assumptions, and costs from previous studies were used when available. Therefore, costs are considered highly approximate and additional preliminary engineering analysis on a case by case bases is required to better estimate individual project cost.

drain construction (2012-02), Briarcroft Lane ditch and channel improvements (2008-05), and Misty Lane Phase 2 Storm Drain (2010-16), Woodrow Phase 3 storm drain construction (2012-03) and Skyline Avenue storm drain and inlet construction (2012-07).

Thirteen areas have been identified for stream repair and floodplain improvements. These thirteen drainage CIPs are estimated to cost at least \$4,690,000. The highest priority areas will address both inundation of residential structures by flood water and stream restoration and repair. It is recommended that the following high priority projects be considered for funding preliminary engineering study: Stewart Ditch channel repair and improvements (2012-11), Valley Road Ditch floodplain mitigation (2005-20), Edgefield/Rainforest stream restoration (2012-20), Dickens Ditch stream restoration (2005-24) and Long Branch environmental enhancements (2005-28). In particular, Stewart and Valley Ditch have several concrete sections that have been completely washed out, and more severe and extensive damage will occur in future storm events if repairs are not made. In addition to concrete channel repairs, Valley Road and Stewart Ditch have known floodplain issues that impact residential and commercial properties.

Cross street drainage issues associated with bridges and culverts were not prioritized. However, 19 locations with documented historical flooding have been summarized in Table 4-6.

There are 29 CIP projects that have been identified and ranked, of these the 15 highest propriety projects from the three categories of CIP projects are recommended for capital improvement bond funding. These projects are summarized on the following page in Table 7-1.

Table 7-1
Summary of CIPs Recommended for Capital Improvement Bond Funding

Overall Priority	Project Reference Number	Capital Improvement Project (CIP)	Type of Project	Description of Project	Estimated Cost (\$)*
1	N/A	Regional Watershed Modeling and Floodplain Mapping	Study	In light of the more recent information and rapid development a revised floodplain study is recommended. This study would allow for an organized and concise set of hydrologic/hydraulic models that could be used in watershed management and would serve as a starting point to build upon for the regional detention analysis.	250,000
2	N/A	Regional Detention Pond Analysis	Study	As the City continues to develop rapidly, it is recommended that a comprehensive watershed wide detention analysis be performed in order to assess the best locations for future regional detention ponds and to ensure that watershed timing is properly accounted for considering all detention ponds.	250,000
3	2005-27	Greenforest Circle Storm Drain and Inlets	N	Streets and neighborhoods experience flooding due to the lack of a conveyance system. Recommend adding storm drain and curb inlets. Drainage on Greenforest Circle and South Roy Reynolds will both see improvements.	208,000
4	2012-21	Trimmier/10th Street at Hallmark Storm Drain and Inlets	N	Water flows down Trimmier Road to the intersection of E. Hallmark Avenue where it splits to the west down Hallmark Avenue, and north down South 10th Street causing road inundation and a traffic hazard. Additional storm drain inlets and pipe along Trimmier/10th Street that would tie into an existing system that outfalls at South Nolan Creek is recommended. There is also a high ground water table in this area that may exacerbate drainage issues. This project may also be combined with proposed road improvements.	227,000
5	2012-11	Stewart Ditch Channel Repair and Improvements	S	This concrete channel has some of the most severe and numerous structural failures in the City. There are approximately 88 structures in the 100-year floodplain, and channel improvements should be considered as per the Walker Partners Study.	862,000
6	2012-02	Woodrow - Phase 2 Storm Drain Construction	N	Phase 1 storm drain improvements have been completed. Add additional (Phase II) curb inlets and storm drain along Woodward Drive.	364,000
7	2005-20a	Valley Road Ditch Phase 2 Floodplain Mitigation	S	The first priority is to repair the concrete channel and prevent the progression of existing failures. As funding is available, channel and culvert improvements should be considered as per the Walker Partners study. Improvements to the railroad culverts have recently been funded to add two 72-inch RCP.	373,000
8	2005-20b	Valley Road Ditch Phase 3 Floodplain Mitigation	S	Avenue A to Avenue B improvements including demolish existing concrete channel lining, headwall and improve culvert at Avenue A should be considered as per the Walker Partners Study.	928,000
9	2012-20a & 2012-20b	Edgefield/Rainforest Stream Restoration	S	These two reaches are highly eroded and have little aesthetic value. Two existing concrete gradecontrol structures have been washed out and should be replaced with rock riprap (or concrete). Other grading and landscaping alternatives should be considered to enhance vegetation and aesthetics.	400,000
10	2008-05	Briarcroft Lane Culvert and Ditch/Channel Improvements	N	Increase Briarcroft culvert outlet to 50-year level of service (LOS) and improve surrounding ditches; improve Tanglewood Estates Outlet Channel to 50-year LOS should be considered as per the 2005 DMP.	181,000

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11	2012-16	Misty Lane Phase 2 Storm Drain Improvement	N	Storm drain improvements to improve residential street drainage should be considered as per the Wallace Group Study.	275,000
12	2012-03	Woodrow Phase 3 Storm Drain Construction	N	Phase 1 Storm Drain improvements have been completed. Add additional (Phase 3) curb Inlets and storm drain along Jake Spoon Drive should be considered as per the Walker Partners Study.	143,000
13	2005-24	Dickens Ditch Stream Repair	S	This reach is experiencing some erosion and has the potential to damage private property and erode outside of the drainage easement. Erosion is just now and will continue to progress outside of the drainage easement. Therefore, actions to stabilize the stream reach downstream of Westcliff Road should be considered.	351,000
14	2012-07	Skyline Ave Storm Drain and Inlets	N	Runoff from the apartment complex at the top of the drainage area should be better directed into existing storm drain inlet, or otherwise directed away from the three homes that reported flooding in the September 2010 event. Storm water runoff is also known to cause street and yard flooding. Therefore, storm drains and curb inlets should be considered on Swope Drive and Skyline Avenue.	650,000
15	2005-28	Long Branch Environmental Enhancements	S	This area was identified in the 2005 DMP for possible detention. Although there are some downstream flooding issues, this area is perceived to be better suited for environmental enhancements such as riffle pool and water quality environmental enhancements. Detention is not recommended here, but environmental and aesthetic improvements should be considered.	500,000

Approximate Total Cost (\$) 6,000,000

N = Storm Drain & Ditch Neighborhood Drainage

S = Stream Repair and Floodplain Improvement

\* Costs are approximate and are based on schematic assumptions; more detailed preliminary engineering analysis is required to define cost with greater certainty.

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